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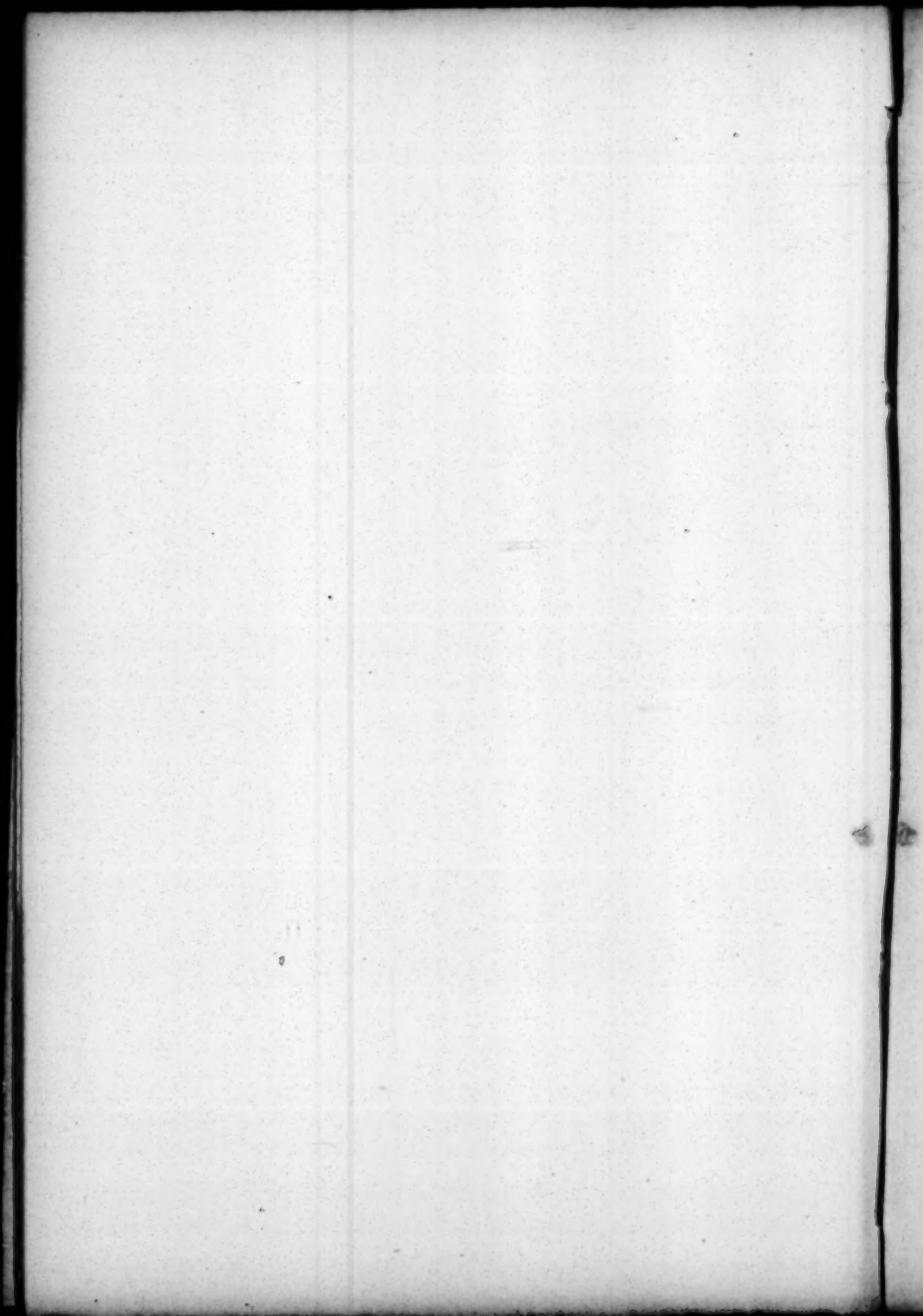
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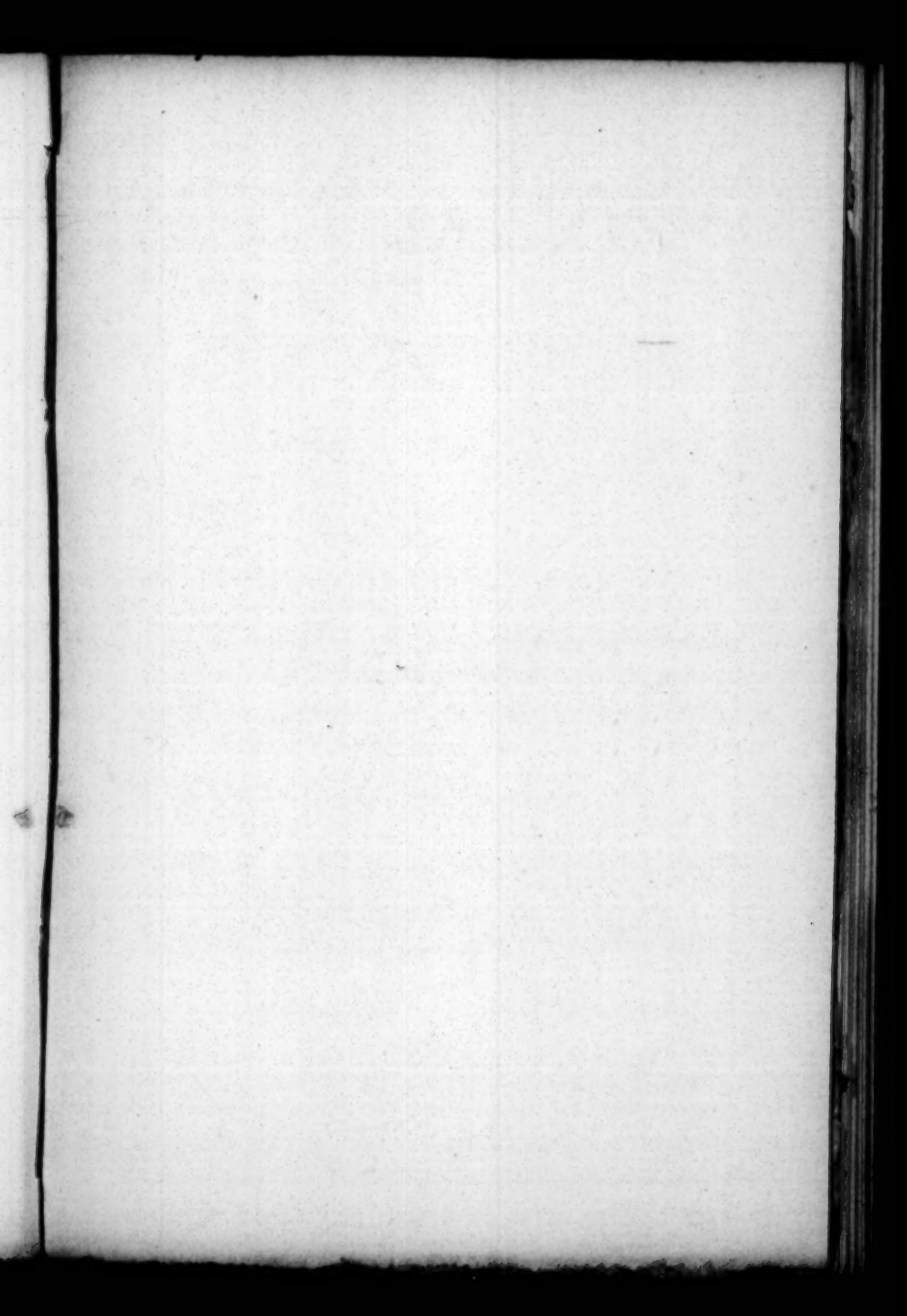
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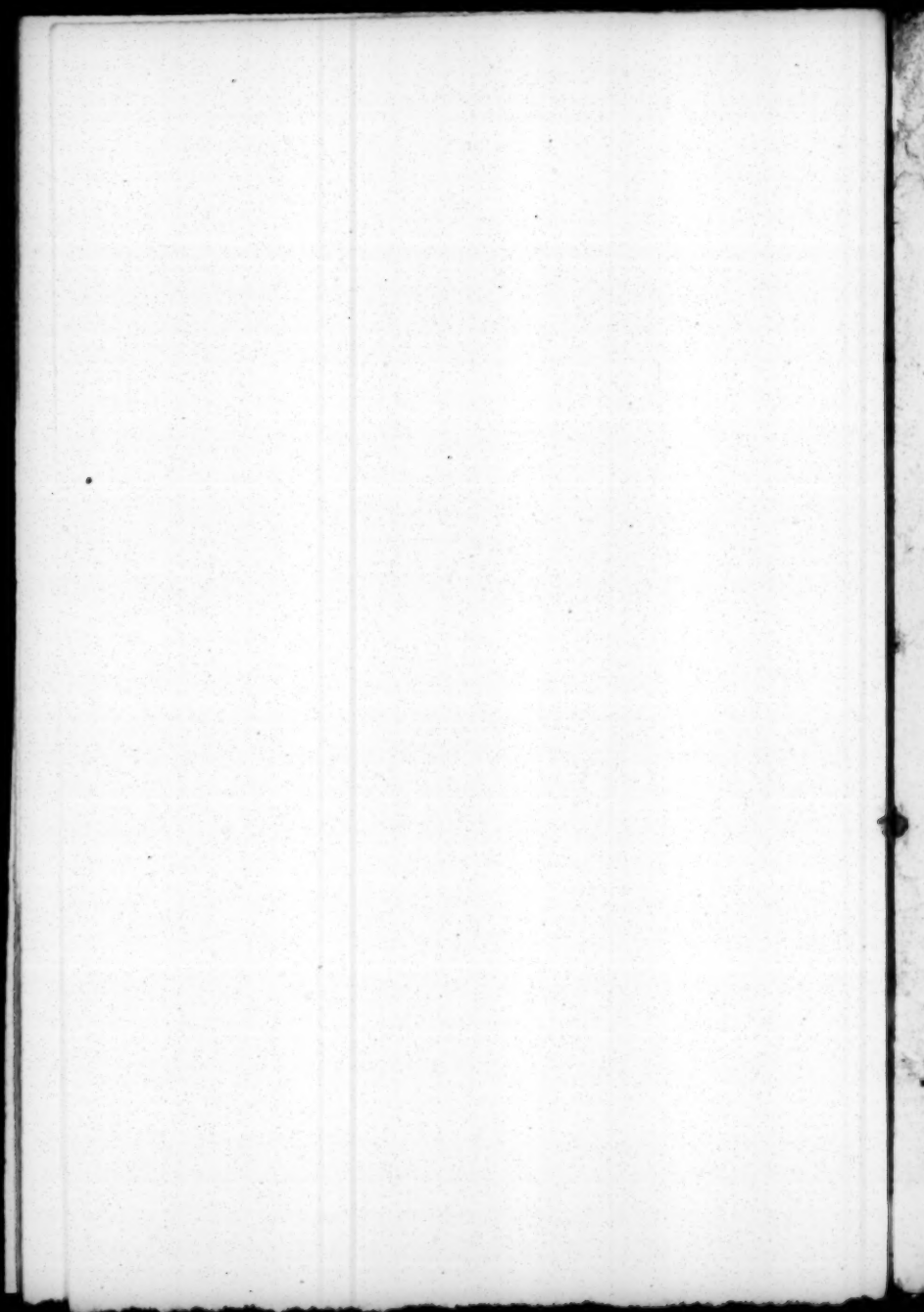
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HE troubles which these yeares by-
 gone afflicted this Nation, and
 storms which threatned both King-
 domes, being apparently conclu-
 ded by capitulation at the borders; the
 Subjects of this Kingdome retur-
 ned from thence, not onely very confident to have
 enjoyed Peace among themselves by the *Parliament*
 and Assembly promised for settling of all disorders a-
 risen for the want of these, but also to have gained
 the English in a farther degree of *friendship*, having
 cleared the *calumnies* laid to our charge, both by our
carriage, and by discovering the Fountaines, whence
 the mischief (then escaped) had flowed; and un-
 doubtedly our estate had been happy, if both these

had been as really performed, as we ingeniously beleev'd the assurances given.

But our *adversaries* abating nothing of their *malice* and *wickednesse*, did then *instantly* begin, and yet daily continue, to broach new *plots* against us: and as they have already given us *just cause* of *complaint*, by procureing the breach of the *capitulation*, and unexampled railing of our *Parliament*, so do they labour to *mis-informe* our *Soveraigne* against us, to *alienate* the *English* from us, and *poison* their eares with *calumnies*, as if our *legall* and *warrantable* proceedings were *seditious*, and our *loyall intentions* were *rebellious*, and tended to the breach of *Civill* and *Temporall obedience*; which unjust *assertion* they sowe through *England* by their *emissaries*, especially by *Papists*, who are affrighted to see the *sincerity* of *reformation* both expell them out of *Scotland*, and approach so neare *England*: wherein they contend with double advantage, First, their *mis-reports* coming from some few *bad Patriots* or *corrupt Church-men*, are beleev'd against the whole *body* of a *Kingdome* without any *tryall*; and the *assertions* of this *State* against them, or *justification* of our *selves* and our *proceedings*, are not beleev'd, although we have often *petitioned* for the *Legall tryall* of both. Next, they have *accesse* and full *liberty* to *informe* his *Majesty* and *Subjects* there, and we are *barred*: for as they did the last yeare perswade the stopping of *passengers*, *packets*, *letters*, and all such meanes as might convey the knowledge of the *truth* of our *Proceedings*, and meaning, to *England*; and *procured* a hard *Proclamation* for restraint of *Informations* coming from *Scotland*: so have they now againe renewed their former practise, by making the

the way of Letters unsafe, and by obtaining our Commissioners sent from this Kingdome, in time of *Parliament* to *informe* his Majesty, (and that upon expresse warrant of a letter sent by his Majesty to the Earle of Traquair his Commissioner, and shewn to many of the *Parliament*) to be refused his sacred presence, and charged speedily to depart homeward, least the English might have received Informations by them: by this freedom to caluminate us, and by taking from us all meanes of clearing the truth; they think themselves able soon to possesse his Majesty and the English with prejudices and mis-informations, and so by mis-conceived opinion make a quarrell and enter the Nations in blood: wherein they expect a two-fold benefit as they are of two sorts: the one Church-men justly ejected from this Church, who being hopelesse to regaine their former condition, if all things take a legall, faire, and orderly conclusion in Scotland, despightfully labour to bring Church and State from whence they came, to confusion, and to re-enter by force of the English, which is a perillous and violent way, evidently endangering both Kingdomes, if being mutually weakened by bloody warre, they shall be powerfully invaded by Papists, who are like enough to lay hold of the opportunity: The other are some evill Countrey-men, who either for their own ends, thinking to reape from the ruine of others, that which may better their owne condition, otherwise desperate: Or being formerly intrusted with great Charges in this Kingdome, for eviting the challenges they have justly deserved, and hardly escaped, knowing that the discovery of old, and addition of

new guiltinesse, would soon cut them away, if once perswaded by a warrant from the Court, and therefore have not spared to kindle a fire in the Common-weale to divert the deserved overthrow of their owne house, upon confidence either to escape in the midst of so great confusion, or to obtaine place in that common pardon, which ordinarily followeth reconciliation after great Nationall troubles.

But we hope the English will not suffer themselves to be againe abused by these Impostors; for the English Noble-men and others who were at the Camp, may remember that when they were rightly informed of our proceedings, and the reasons thereof, and knew we craved onely to enjoy our Religion and Lawes, they acknowledged that they had been mis-informed, and regrated the idle and unnecessary wast of so much time and money upon such sinister Information and unhappy mistake, which had indangered many lives, weakned both Kingdomes, and prepared them to have been a prey to a Forraigne army or fleet, if the Lord had not been then mercifull (as he hath been wonderfull since) to both Nations, in making them come together at that time in quiet manner, for the discovering of the mistake, and the authors thereof, and making the Nobility and Gentry of England, who were pro. ected to be our destroyers, to be intercessors and dealers for obtaining his Majesties consent to a Generall Assembly and Parliament, which was all our desire, as the onely meanes to remedy the evils of our Church and State; Wherein we had this great contentment, that his Majestie and our Brethren of England being satisfied with our deportments, departed in peace, and the

the untruth of the *Information* given by our *enemies*, appeared, who had boldly vented that we intended alteration of Government, and Invasion of *England* for enriching of our selves with the *spoiles* thereof; which we many times Published, were far from our *thoughts*, and our *actions* then witnessed and made manifest, by our approved *loyalty* to our *Sovereigne*, and our great *respect* and *love demonstrat* to the *English*, in which *resolution* we yet continue, and heartily incall for a heavy Judgement from the *heaven*, upon such of either Nation as first invadeth the other; and the same upon such as desireth any other Government then the *present*, or Governour then our own *native King*, whom onely we desire to rule over us in judgement and *righteousnesse*; yet none must think but that we must indeavour to *defend* and *acquit* our selves in such way as becometh good *Christians* and *Countrey-men*, and to do our *best*, being put to a *straight* by *unjust Invasion* by Sea or Land, and so *provident*, as to take the *best course* we can for *preservation* of our selves and this Kingdome from *ruine*, and for *eviting* that *confusion*, which our *adversaries threaten*, his Majestie will bring upon us, by withholding the *administration* of *Iustice*, by ceasing to *repairs* our present *evils*, and by *pressing* a *division* amongst our selves, For our *enemies* have bragged to *cause* his Majesty to send hither a Navy to block up our Seas, and stop our *trade*, or some Land-forces, though it were but to make *incursions* and *provoke* us to *revenge*, and thereby *sowe* the *seeds* of a *Nationall warre*, or to keep us in *firre* and *armes* to waite our Fortunes, and *disfable* us: In which Cases let it be *considered* if any would not chuse (although otherwise

otherwise unwilling) to fight themselves free of
 prison, rather then *perish* miserably in the same: and
 what is our case other, the greatest part of our peo-
 ple living by *traffique*, who would all *samish* in short
 time, if *trade* were stayed; and the rest of the people
 would not long sublist to be forced, either to lie at
 their owne charge in *armes* awaiting *invasion*, or lay-
 ing downe *armes* to be under hazard to have the
 Countrey *spoyled* by a *surprise*: but as we trust all
 the good Subjects of *England* will indeavour to stay
 all attempts against us both by Sea or Land, so if we
 be *inforced* to our just defence, they will not thinke
 themselves any way *ingaged* to avenge the *mischiefe*,
 which those may force upon themselves, but rather
 to punish the wickednesse of those who labours to
 separate from them, the especiall and surest part of
 their strength, if they were not *invaded* by *Forraigne*
enemies; we may justly say (the *surest*) for as we hold
 that no *obligation* bindeth so fast as that of Religion,
 so doe those who are contrary to our Religion hold
 the same; and as that maxime doth make them hold
 fast together, should not likewise all good Christi-
 ans and Partiors in this Isle, labour to maintaine
 love and *friendship* among our selves, and with the
 Protestants about us; should we not be stirred up
 by the *valour* and *successe* of lesse powerfull Nations,
 to joyne with united *armes* against the Whore of
Babel and her supports; should we not open our
 eares to the *lamentations* of the Princely Children
 of our Kings onely Sister, who in severall parts of
 the world, but all bannished from their owne in-
 heritance,

heritance, are crying for pitty and reliefe, rather then breake the bonds, whereby we are so often tyed, and make sport to the Pope and his children, the Bishops, by killing one another to maintain their pride and usurpation.

All our desire is that our Brethren of England would learne from by gon experience, the wicked falsehood of our adversaries, and not to hearken with beliefe to any fault or crime they can object against us: and although it be probable that a Parliament so long denyed and earnestly desired in England, and motioned upon the nick of some Calumnious Information of our proceedings in Parliament, made in the Counsell of England (whercin the Relator shewed more wit in framing a report acceptable to some great Auditors, then honest love to his Countrey, which he offered as an atonement to the displeasure conceived against himselfe, and threatening his ruine) may be presupposed to be intended for our preiudice, yet we will never harbour any such feare, knowing, the gravity, wisdom, and uprightness of that high Judicatory, will ponder matters in the ballance of justice, and be loath to ground their determinations upon the mis-informations maliciously suggested by our enemies, nor meddle with our Laws and Parliaments, nor square our proceedings according to their Lawes: For as wee meddle not with the Lawes of ENGLAND nor their Parliaments, when there is difference betwixt the King and them,

so ought not the English to *meddle* with us: For
 the Kingdomes are *independant* of each other, and
 their Government distinct, and will not therein be
 ordered the one by the others example, even in
 things needfull; far lesse should they enter in *quar-*
rell among themselves where nothing is done or in-
 tended in demination of each others *rights*, yea,
wise-men will judge, if *disorders* be committed in
 this Kingdome or that, they are to be *redressed* by the
 power of each Kingdome, by the Lawes thereof
 within it selfe; and that it stands neither with *duty*
 nor Policy (suppose them the greatest *disorders*) to
 enter thereupon in *warre*, which shall *involve* both
 Kingdomes, our *selves* and *posterity*, and shall make
 the *remedy* worse then any *disease* of this kind can be;
 For the mistake betwixt the Nations may arise
 from a two fold error, the one by *receiuing misin-*
formation in a *wrong way*: late *experience* Pleadeth that
 no *misinformation* should have been beleewed of us,
 as was *promised* to us by the English at the Camp:
 but to receiue it from a single man (how eminent
 soeuer in *place*) and some few *Factionous persons*, is ab-
 surd, we speake of the Commisioner his *relation* be-
 leewed by many at the Counsell Table of *England*;
 a pretty Plot indeed to make our businesse fly like a
 Tennis-ball, betwixt some few Gamesters here and
 there, who making and *playing* their *part* by *collusion*,
 the whole *body* of both Kingdomes looking on are
 made to beat by-hands, and so looseth more on the
 pairty then either: it is fit that such *cozenage* be *dete-*
cted, that neither of us suffer the *losse*; let not those
 few foule Gamesters *plot* the *ingageing* of us in a war
 through *mistake*, since both the Kingdomes are to

win thereby, or loose, which is the likest. The second error ariseth from not *knowing* our Lawes, and so *measuring us by your line*; it is surmised to us that our enemies object that we have broken our Civill and Temporall obedience, and trenched upon the Kings Prerogative in *Parliament*, by offering *acts prejudiciall* to his Majesties power, such as anent the *abrogation* of all civill power, from Bishops and Church-men, and *rescinding* all *acts* formerly introduced in their *favours*, anent the power and constitution of the Articles, against *Poxies*; the *act* of *Pacification*; the *act* for *mutuall Reliefe*; the *act* anent the *Copper Coine*; the *act* anent the *restitution* of *Presbyteries* to their *rights* and *admissions*; our *declaration* at the unexampled raising of the *Parliament*, or such like; we neither *know*, nor will *examine*, if according to your Law these be accounted derogatory to Royall authority; but it is most *sure* and *evident*, by all the Registers and Records of our Lawes and *Parliaments*, that they properly belong to the cognition of our *Parliament*, and that we have proceeded at this time upon no other *ground* then our Lawes and Practise of this Kingdome never before *questioned*, but *inviolably observed*, as the only *rule* of our *government*. Which we can *demonstrate* in every *particular*, by many *reasons*, *lawes*, and *acts* of *Parliament*, from time to time, which we could set down in *particular*, if we were certainly *informed* of the *doubts*, or that they would not fill up a *large book*, which in this *short time* is impossible to *Print*; but to shew our *assurance* we have already sent up *Commissioners* to *remove* all *scruples* from his Majesty, who are sufficiently furnished with *reasons* grounded upon the *Laws* and *practise* of this Kingdome, for answering all the *objections*

objections can be made against us; whom as wee would never have sent if we had desired our absolute *justification* in every thing; soe we intreat all good people to beleeve, that howsoever wee are branded with *mis-reports*, yet we never would have attempted any thing which was not *surely warrantable* by the *fundamentall Lawes* and *constitutions* of this Kingdome, which the King at his Coronation is *sworn to observe*, and *judge* us conforme thereto; which wee hope his Majesty after due *Information* will never *violate*, nor our neighbour Nation call in *question*; to whom we wish all *happinesse* and a free *Parliament*, where the deep *projects* of these our *principall adversaries* and *speciall Authors* of our *evils* might be cleared to have levelled at the *change* of many things both in Religion and State, who being *removed* with their Faction, and both Churches and Kingdomes *secured* from these *novations* they *intend*, it will prove a *happy worke* for our King and both Kingdomes; Take away the wicked from before the King, and his throne shall be established in *Righteousnesse*: For as the demanding of your Parliament is *Vox Populi*, the granting *Vox Regis*, so we pray that in the *conclusion* may be Read *Vox DEI*, for advancing the Kingdome of *Iesus Christ*, and destruction of the Man of *sin*.

And we will still be *confident* that our neighbour Nation will not admit any bad *impression* of us, but rather joyne with us to *supplicate* his Majesty for *remedy* of our present condition, and many sufferings, (whereof we will give them here a short view) which hardly we can longer indure without utter ruine, unlesse his Majesty redresse the same by

by hastening the conclusion of our *Parliament*; And first where a generall Assembly and *Parliament* were *promised* by the Articles and Treaty at his Majesties Camp, for righting the disorders of this Kingdome, and that all matters Ecclesiasticall should be determined by the Assemblies of the Church, and matters Civill by the *Parliament*; and that the *Parliament* indicted to the 20th of *August*, should ratify the *conclusions* of the *preceding* Assembly, and settle all other things which might conduce to the good and peace of this Kingdome, *freely*, without any *prelimitation*: the Assembly went on in a reasonable faire way: but when we came to the *Parliament* the Commissioner refused to raise the acts of the Assembly, except with *limitations* and *declarations*, having gotten (as we are informed) a warrant not to assent to the *abolishing* of Bishops, which was contrary to his *instructions* whereupon hee had proceeded in the Assembly before this warrant came into his hands: to mend this by the breach both of his Majesties *promise* in the Articles at the Camp and of his owne made in the face of the Assembly 17th. *August* (whereby according to the *constitutions* of the generall Assemblies of this Church, the Service Book obtruded upon us, the Book of Canons, and Ordination, and high Commission were *rejected*, the Articles of *Perth* discharged; Episcopall government and *Civill* places and power of Church-men, declared *unlawfull* in this Church; some *corrupt Assemblies* annulled, generall Assemblies rightly constitute as the proper and competent *Iudge* of all matters Ecclesiasticall, appointed to be kept hereafter yearly, and oftner *Pro re nata* as occasion and necessity shall require; the

the necessity of these *occasionall Assemblies* being first remonstrat to his Majesty by *humble supplications*, and Church-sessions, Presbyteries, and Synodall Assemblies, are ordained to be constitute and observed according to the order of this Church, as also anent the Covenant: and so have had the ratification ineffectuall, and prejudged the act of the Assembly (if it had been ratified in Parliament with restrictions) and in worse termes then it was concluded in the Assembly; he also refused an act rescinding all acts derogatory to the acts of the Assembly, which he was obliged not onely expressly to ratifie, but to annull & take away all acts directly prejudiciall thereto, which did weaken it, as is usuall in the like cases; for it were absurd that the acts of Parliament ratificatory of any Church Statute should stand in rigor after that the foundation thereof is over-tered by the Church, who have no power to infringe the civill sanction, but the same ought to be annulled by the Parliament, *Inconsequente & ex natura rei*: He refuseth to restore the priviledge of the Church in her right of admission the Plantations of some particular Churches formerly belonging to them, and usurped by the Bishops, which the Commissioners of the Church (appointed for that effect by the Assembly) offered instantly to instruct: and directly refusing all other things propounded by them for the good of the Church with very harsh expressions, saying that Ministers would become more intollerable then Bishops, and such like; whereby we are altogether frustrate of his Majesties Royall promise, under his hand, and of our hopes to have our evils remedied; and although Episcopacie be removed out of this Church by the generall Assembly; his Majesties own Commissioner

millioner assenting, and without a contrary voyce; yet doe the Bishops still *retaine* their titles and *subscriptions*, and are entertained with the same respect and state formerly *perferred* to them; let any judge if Religion be hereby *secured*, (which is ordinarily objected to *perswade division* (but be not rather *subverted* and we *disappointed*).

Matters of the Church being thus *rejected*, we pressed some *civill* (the *Parliament* being appointed for *hearing* and *redressing grievances*, and for making *Lawes*; and his Majesty having declared that he *indicted* the same for *determination* in all *civill matters*, and for settling the Kingdome in all *freedom*, and without any *prelimitation*) specially the *constitution* of the *Parliament* and Articles for the time *coming*, being *necessitate* thereof by the removall of Bishops; but the Commissioners consent could not be obtained, notwithstanding he offered alwayes to cleare our desires to be *legall* and *warrantable* by the Registers of *Parliament*: which were absented expressly (though it be against all *reason* that the *supreme judicatory* should not command her own records:) We offered to *designe* the place where they were, and humbly intreated the Commissioner to give *warrant* that they might be brought from thence for the use of the *Parliament*, by some of the States upon inventour to be solemnly made by the *Clarkes* of *Parliament* who are our most famous *notaries*, and there after *reposed* in their owne place: but this was *refused*, which discovered the same to be done of *purpose*. The *act* of *Pacification* was *refused*, except we should accept the same in such termes as should write *rebellion* upon our fore-heads with indelible

Characters; but it was ordinary when *reason* was offered by us, to answer that the King would have it so, and make us to do it or *warfe*; an *argument* of dangerous *consequence* to be propounded to a *Parliament*, which sometimes may *pinch* others as it doth us now: When the Commissioner objected that any thing was propounded not formerly knowne to his Majesty, nor contained in his *instructions*; although the *Parliament* hath power to determine *freely* in all matters *civill* for the *wel-fare* of the Kingdome, and that it were an evident *slavery* for this Kingdome if a *Parliament* having a Commission warranted under the great Seale, should have no power to propound or determine any matter till they send to *consult* and receive *warrant* from Court; yet were we nevertheless content to continue the *inacting* of all these things whereat his Majestie might have any *scruple*, till he were consulted with and *informed* fully, provided somthing were presently done which were not *questionable*, but served much for settling the *peace* of the Countrey, this also was *refused*, and our Commissioners who upon *warrant* from his Majesty were sent to *informe* and give his Majesty *satisfaction* in all all *doubts* were dismissed without *hearing*, as you know, and the Commissioner expressly *commanded* to continue the *Parliament* by his Majesties own *authority* without *consent* of the States (which is directly against the *Laws* and *practises* of this Kingdom) and warranted to discharge us, to sit still under the paine of *treason*, though it be above the reach of a Proclamation to *declare* the meanest *subject* (far lesse the whole *estate* of *Parliament*) *Traitors*, by whose power *treason* is declared, neither were we tyed to have

have risen being once conveyed by authority: and yet against our own known power and duty, we gave humble and ready obedience, being hopefull by this new demonstration of our love and loyalty, in suffering so much to have gained the more readily his Majesties consent for granting our present just desires, and establishing our Priviledges in time coming, and to have satisfied the English, and be-lyed our adversaries (who undoubtedly would have rested that act unjustly) and approved our selves before the world for our patience in all things, although no condition be observed to us, whereof we blame the informers for this, and the adversaries at Court: to these adde the want of administration of justice, this Kingdome being like a storme-beaten-ship abandoned to all tempests, without sayle, helme, or cordage, the meanes of common reliefe (of these charges undergon for our defence) denied, thinking thereby to force us to great confusion and extremity, no present actions granted to vankad Churches, whereby many flockes are left as a prey to the Wolfe for want of Pastors; our demands and restitution of goods taken from some poore saylers slighted; our Councillers and Officers of State discharged their places *Indicta causa & parte non audita*, a novelty incomparable with the Laws of this Nation: that the Author of the large declaration or manifestation, is not tryed and punished for expressing above 200. calumnies and lies, wherewith our Commissioners at the Campe, undertooke to prove that it was stuffed: which although it be condemned in the judgement of both our Assembly and Parliament, yet they have abstained from all censure or tryall, and onely supplicate his Majesty there anent

because it was emitted in his Majesties Royall name; and yet they ought no more to deliver the Author from exemplary punishment, then the impression of his Royall name and armes upon false coyne will exempt the forger from severest chastisement, or make the one more currant then the other, being both adulterate mettles. That we have punctually performed all things except the restitution of some small quantity of Powder which was spent, and some few Musquets which were mis-carried, the vallew of both not exceeding 400. pound sterling, which was offered to be allowed and recompensed after compt and reconing to be made of the same due or promised to us; that new Fortifications are made, and great Garrisons are kept in Barwicke and Carleill, whereby a great mark of suspicion is put upon us his Majesties own people, the like not being done in places of greater importance lying more obnoxious to Forraigne invasion: and rather then that note of disfidence and heart-burning should lie us, our Commissioners offeted that the States of Scotland should be obliged to furnish upon the shortest advertisement 600. men, and in two dayes 2000. and in six or eight dayes 8000. or 10000. men to defend and secure those places from danger or assault of any Forraigne enemy; these Garrisons now entertained, being also against the Articles of Capitulation, whereby all Forces mutually upon both sides were discharged, which we readily obeyed for our part: that the Castle of Edinburgh is turned from the defence (whereunto especially it ought to serve) to be the terrour thereof, being so provided and fortified against all conditions and Articles of Capitulation, appointing all things to be put

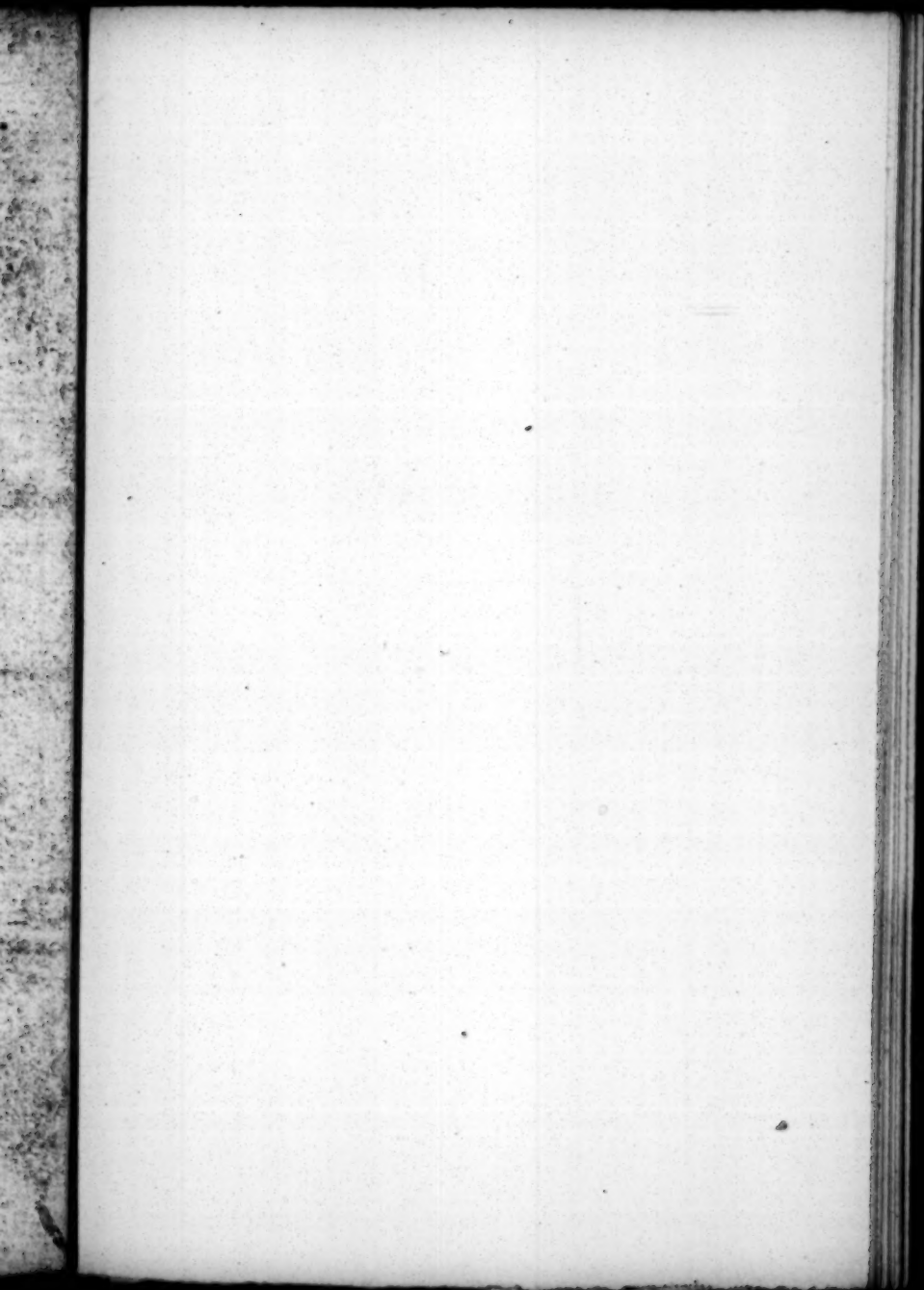
put in the same condition they were before the trouble, having six times more *men* and *provision* then were mentioned by the Kings Majestie himselfe, spoken of to the Marquesse of Hamblatowne, and promised to the Earle of Traquaire to be put in, yea the present Capraine declared that he required no more for all *duties* then betwixt 50. and 60. *men*, where now they numerously exceed the same, whereof some *part* are *strangers* expressly against an *act* of *Parliament*, that no *stranger* should be in any Fort of this Kingdome having fitted themselves for invading the Towne with great *provision* of combustible materials, for *Fire-worke*, *Granadoes*, and great *Port Pices*, formerly unusefull in that place, and no way fit for *defence* of the Town of *Edenborough*, (for which that Castle was specially appointed) but serving onely to *burne* and *destroy* the same. That *Dumbariane* also is wholly *provided* with *strangers* against the *act* of *Parliament*. Oathes are still exacted of Scotch men *travelers* in *England* and *Ireland*, and from those of no other Nation. Disorders remaine still in the Countrey within, and nothing done for the intestine *peace* thereof: great troubles and *prejudice* by the Copper-money, once called downe by the Counsell, and then *raised* againe within fixe dayes, people being loath to accept them going at six times the *vallue*, and under *pretence* of them foure times as many false ones *coyned* by *Tinkers*, and brought into the Countrey, which are worth nothing at all: And lastly, the *worke* of *division* is diligently laboured for among us, but we thank G O D with lesse successe then the last yeare when great *parties* were *promised* within our selvrs (which as for-

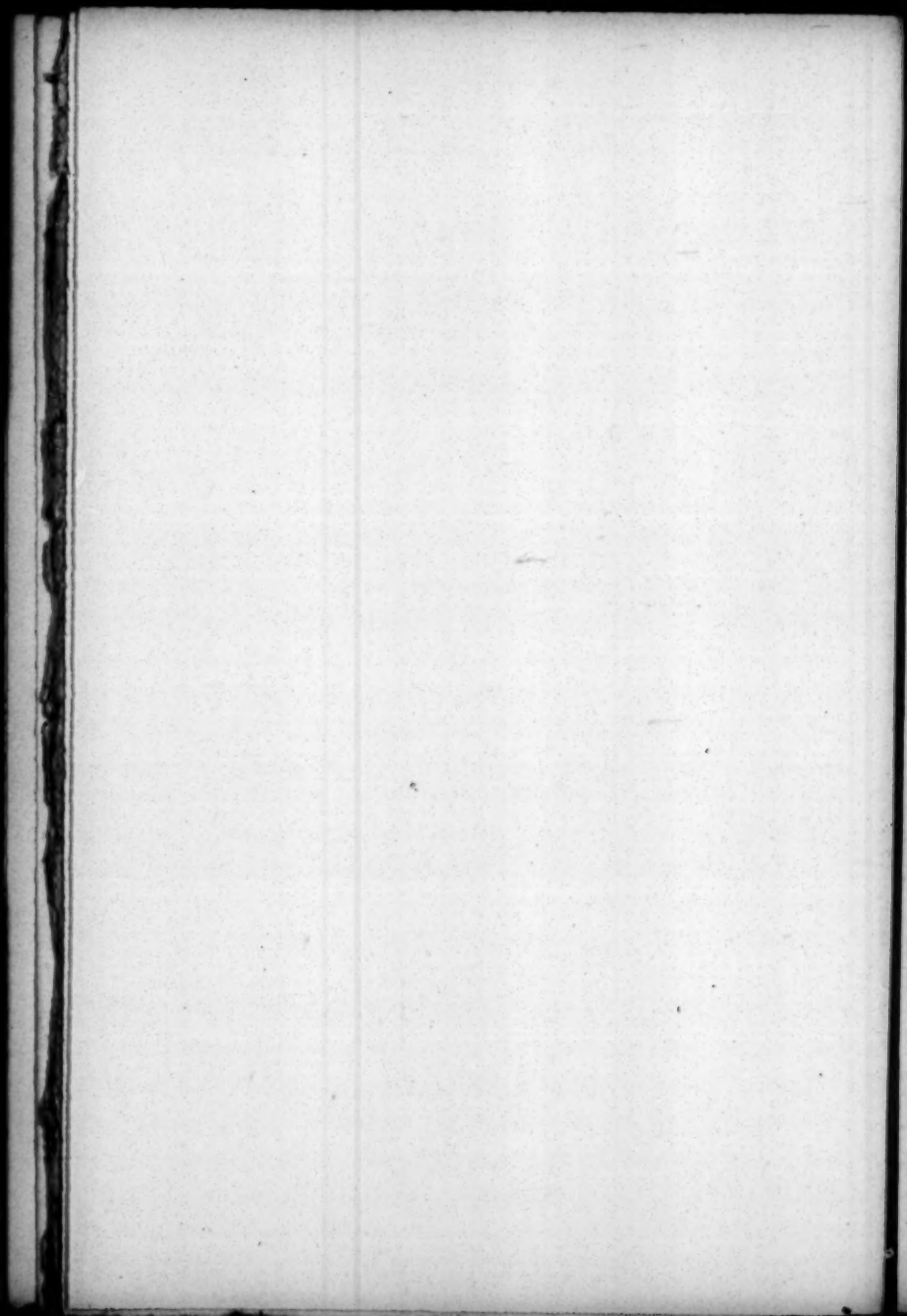
ded us little trouble) thinking the rest of these evils sufficient to undoe us which are left upon us, for the effect whereof it is allowable by the Lawes of **GOD**, and nature, to doe something for our own safety, Whereto the **LORD** give his blessing, and vouchsafe his direction upon our gracious Sovereigne, to follow the example of King David, that his eyes may be upon the Faithfull of the Land, that they may dwell with him, and not to know the wicked Persons, but early to destroy them and cut them off from the City of the **LORD**; and give wisdom and courage to all those good People in England who will enterpose themselves by pleading for us, and impeding the mischief intended.

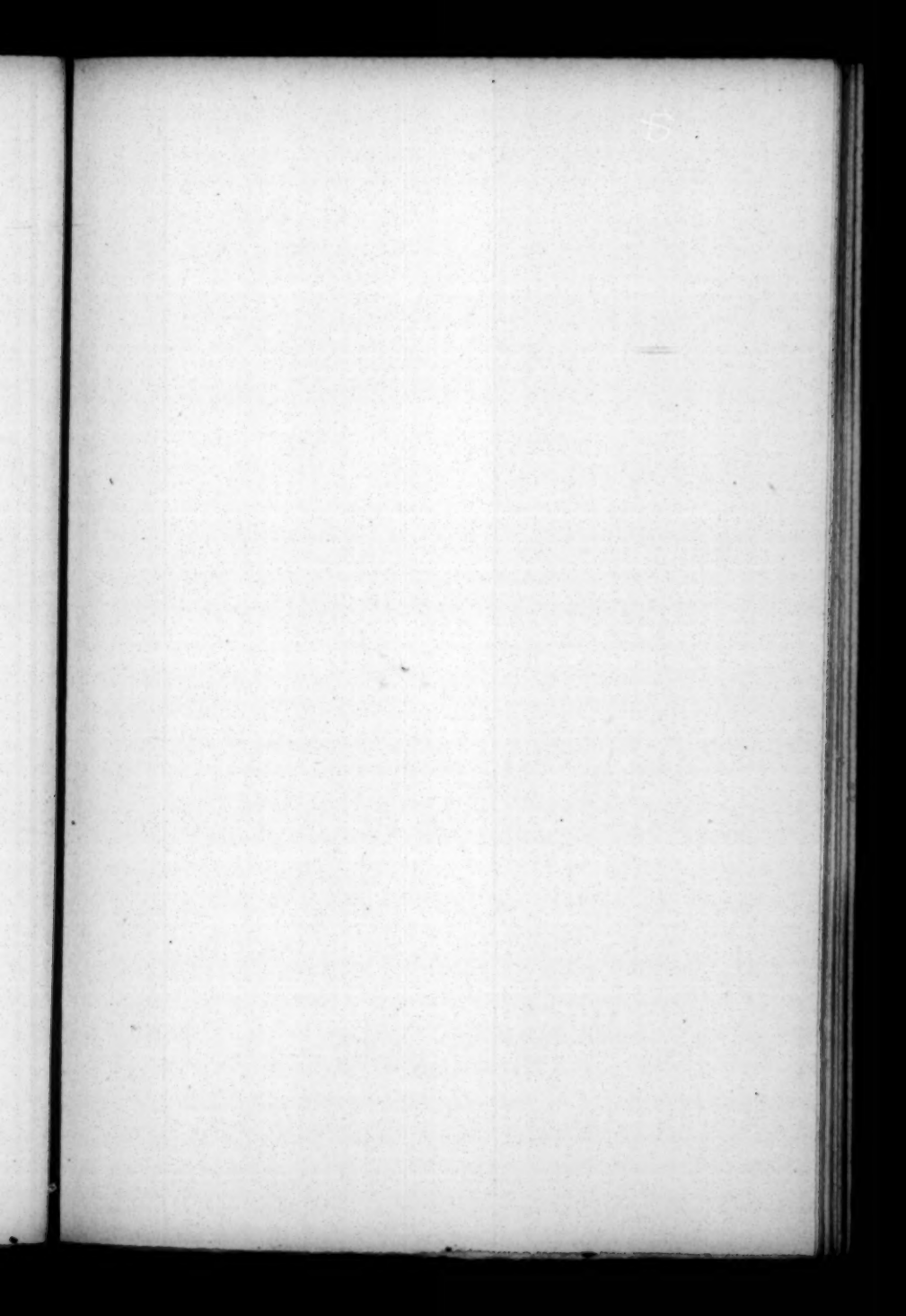
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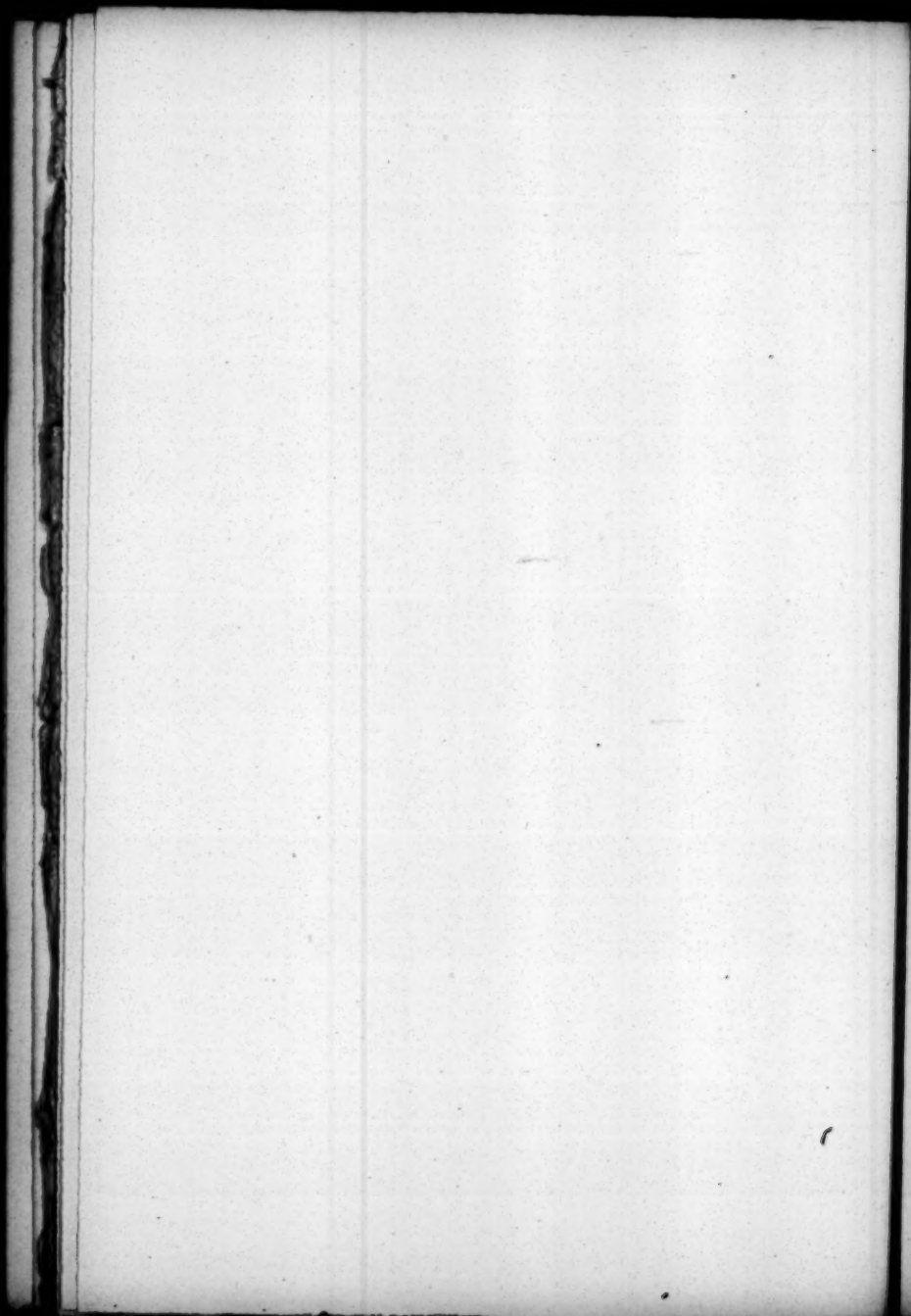
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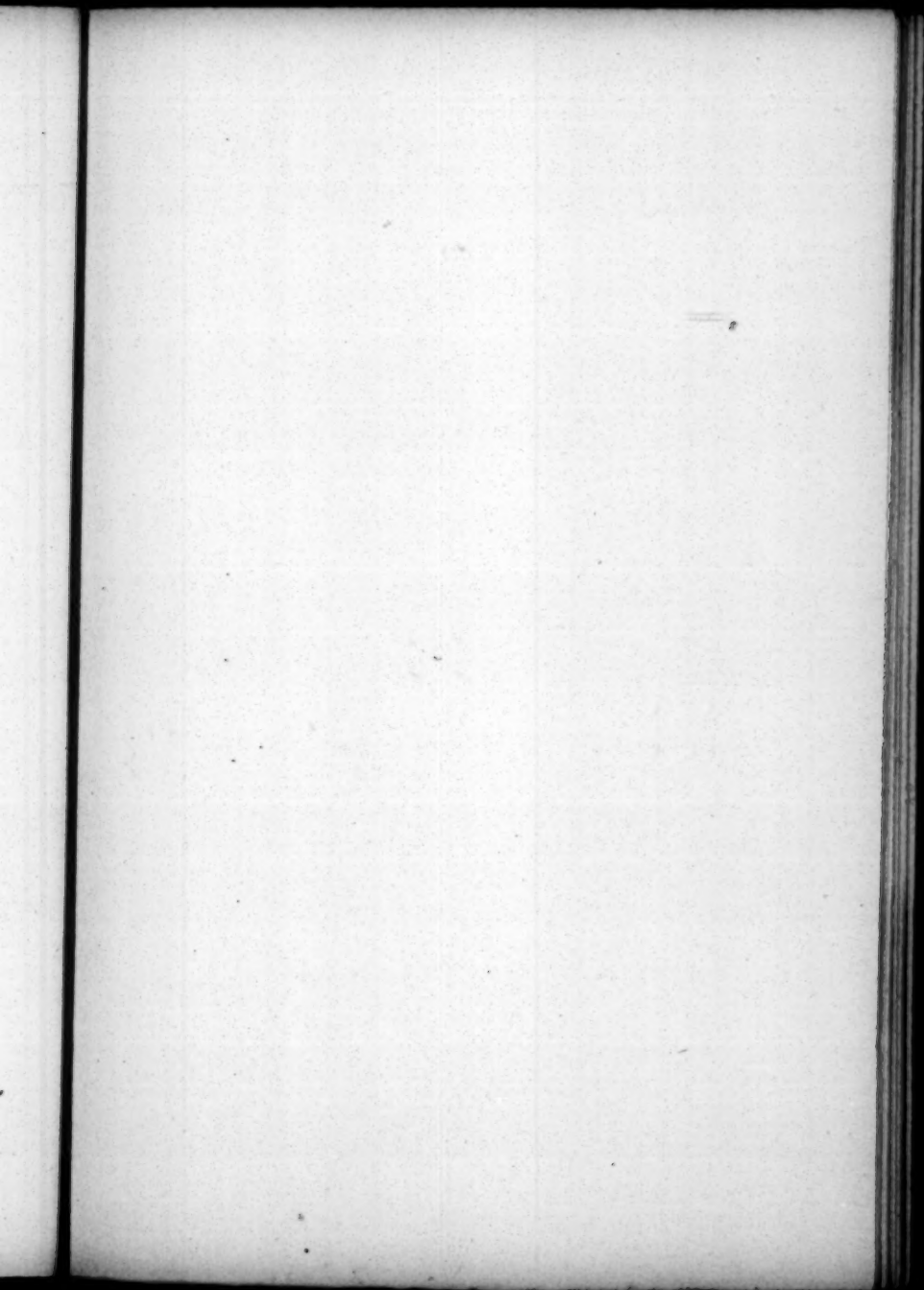


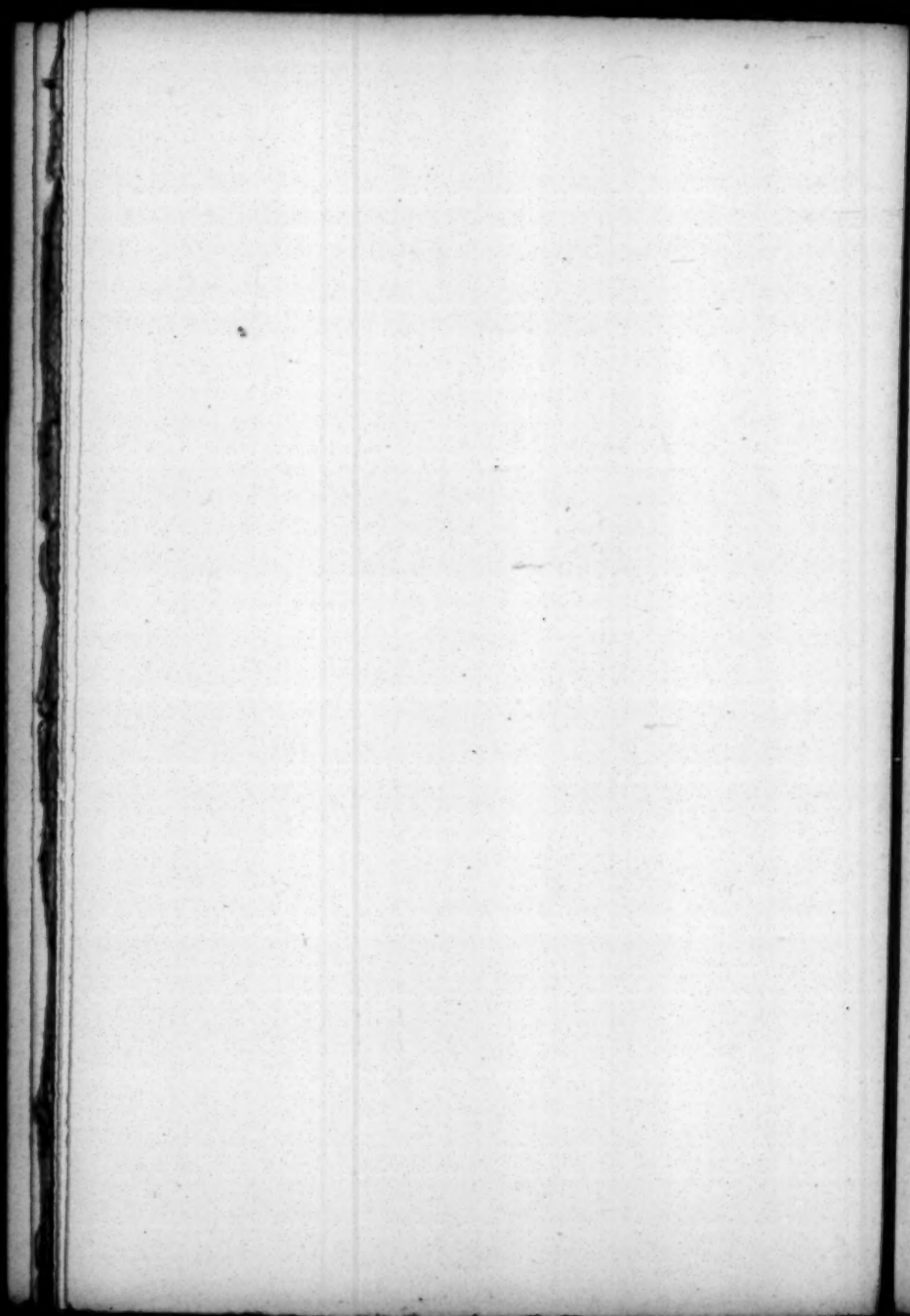


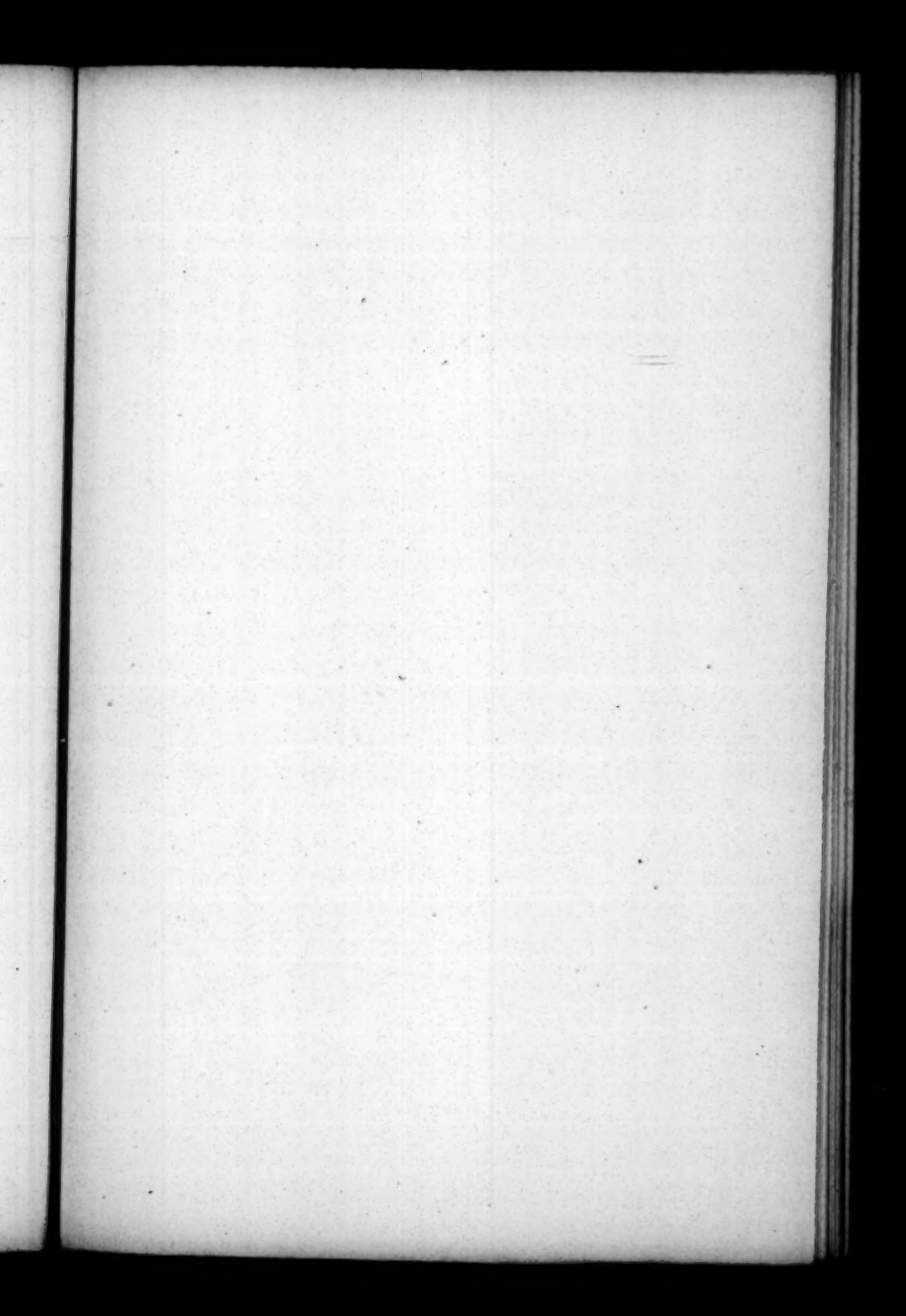


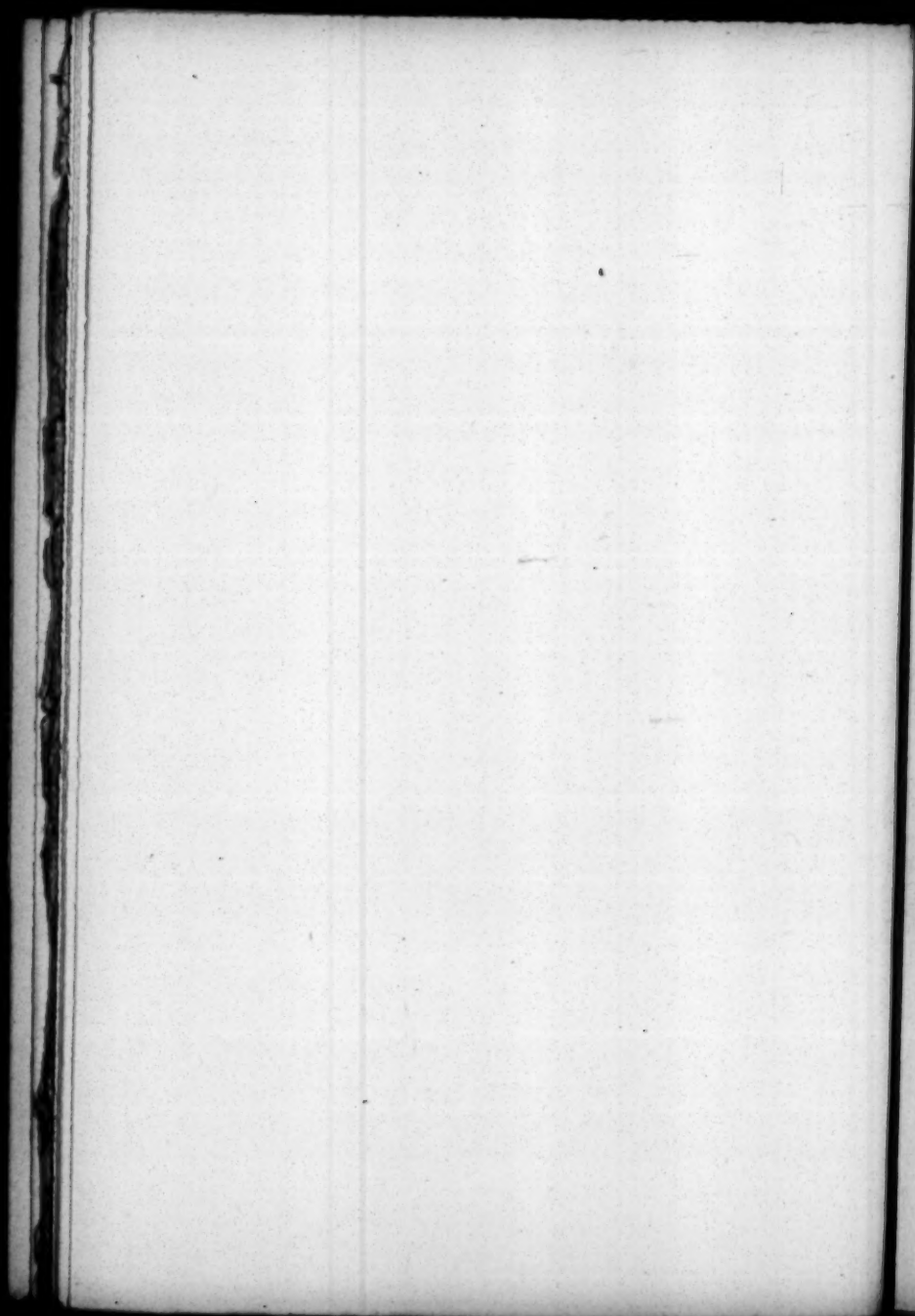


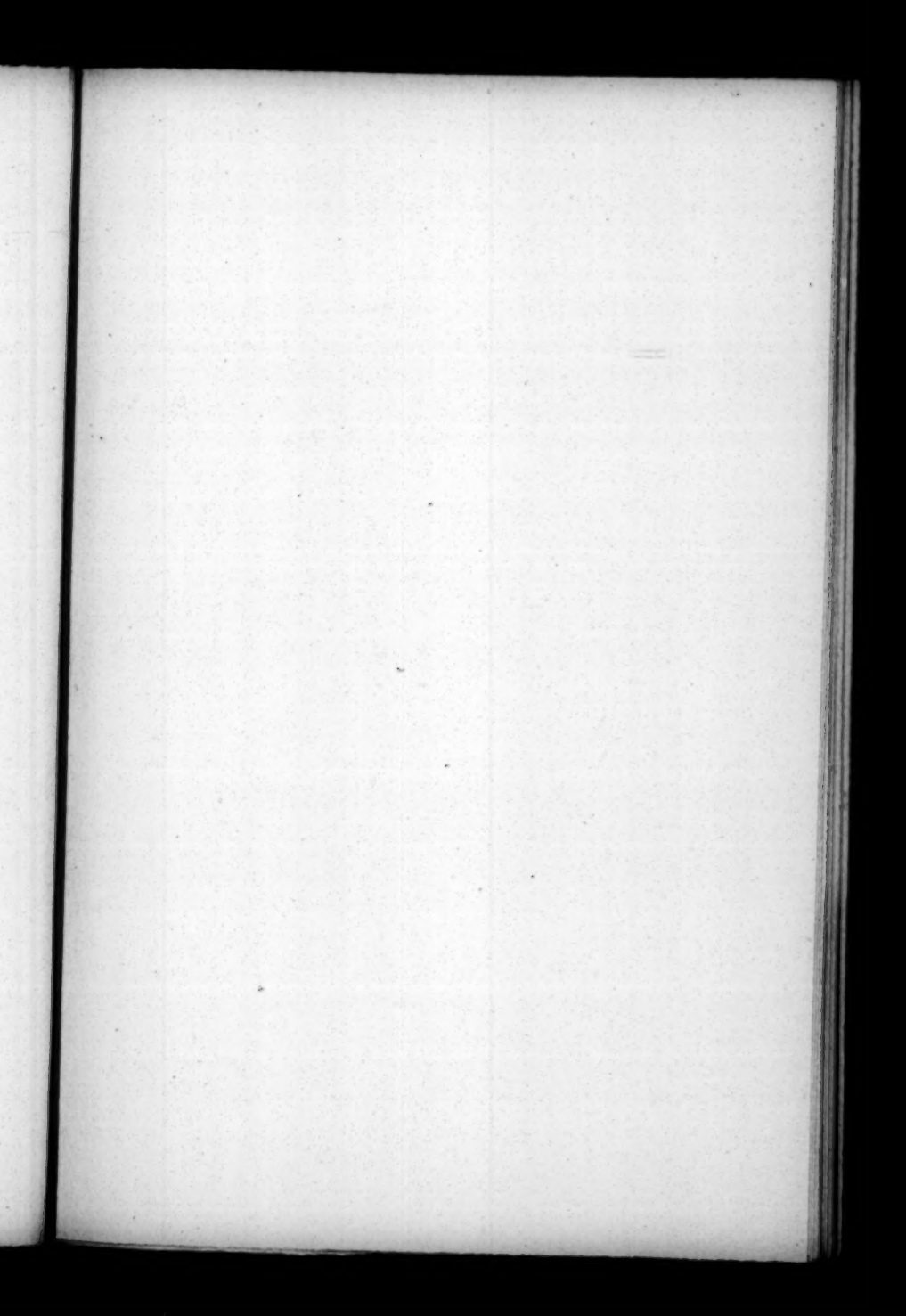


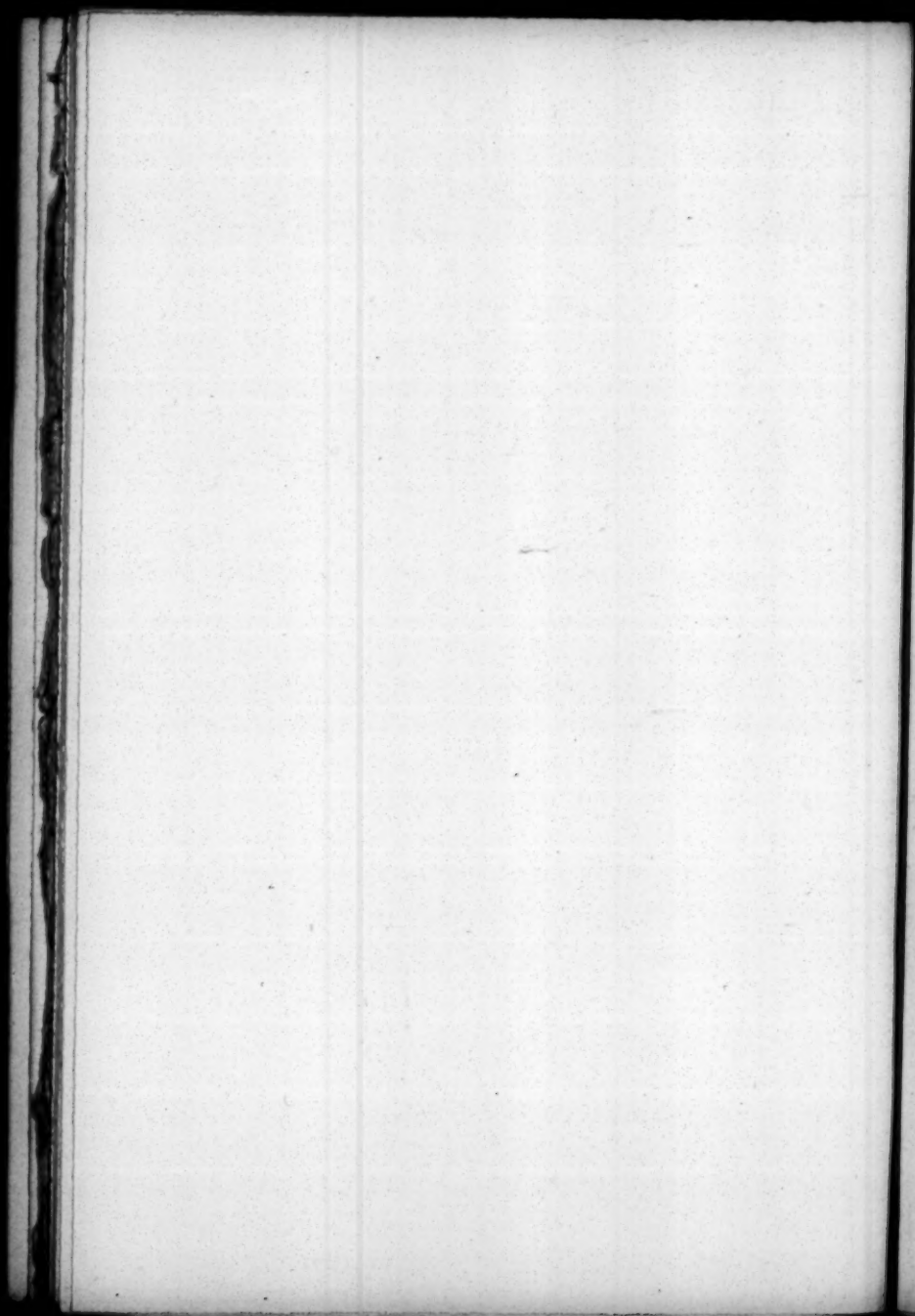


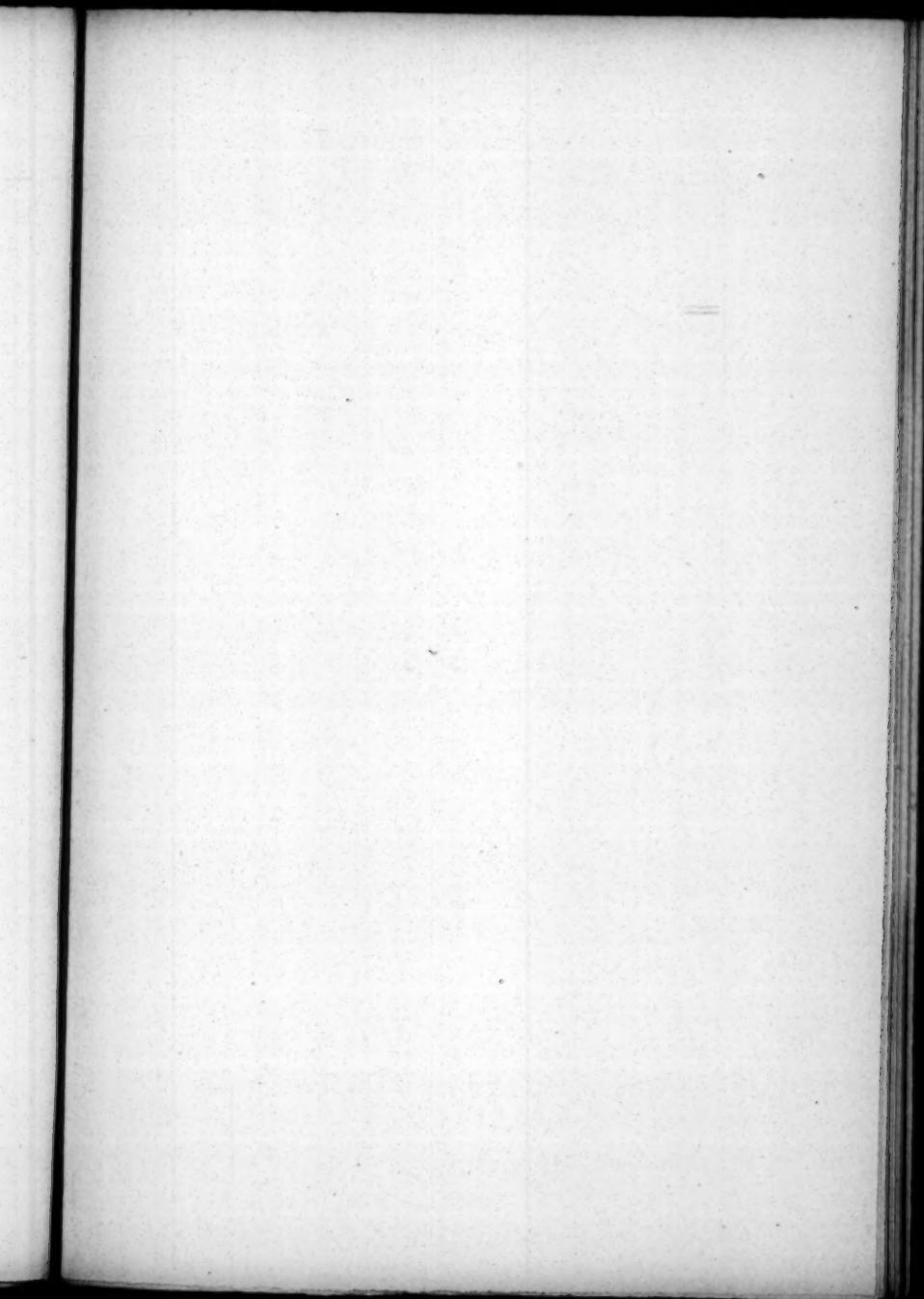


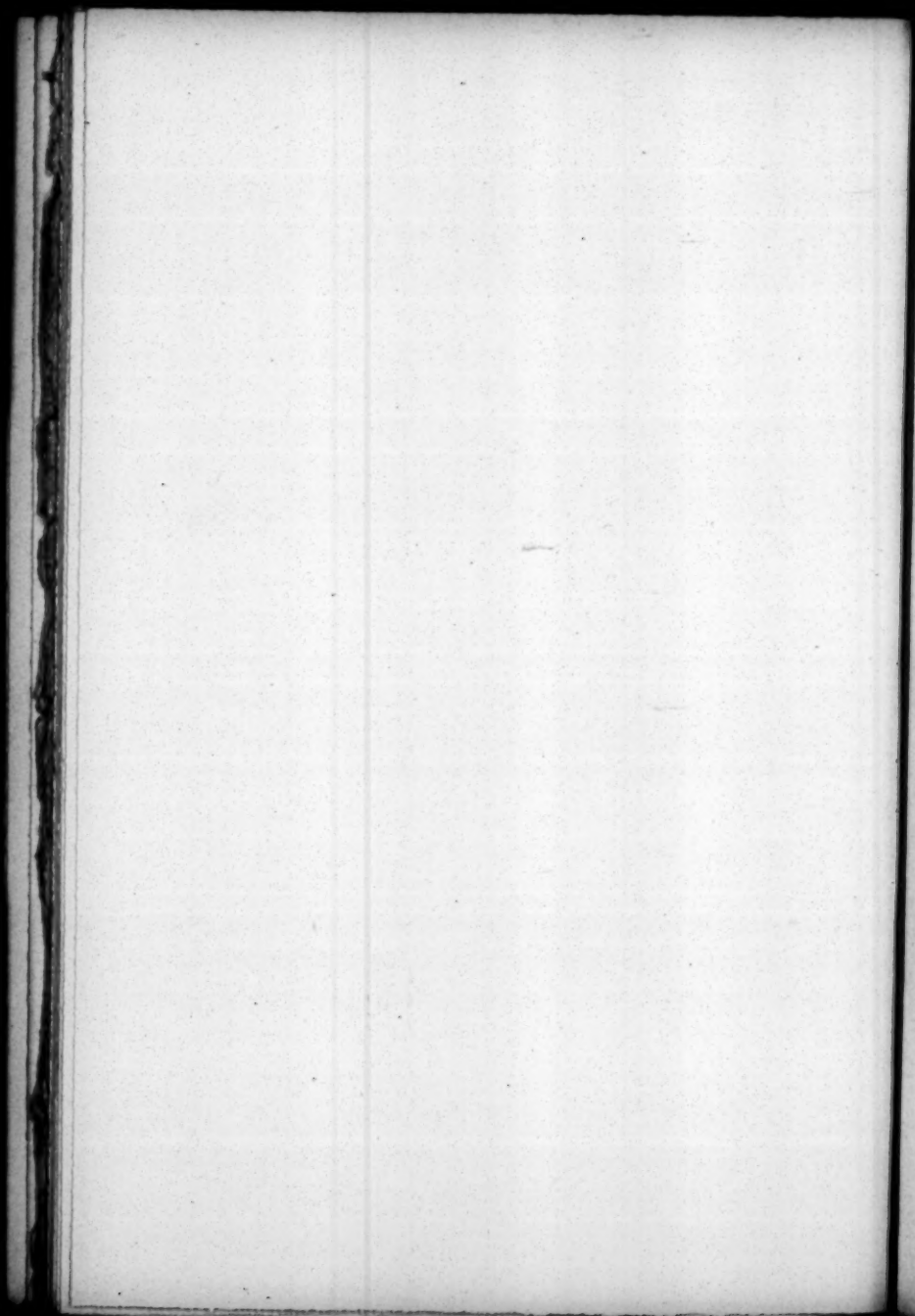


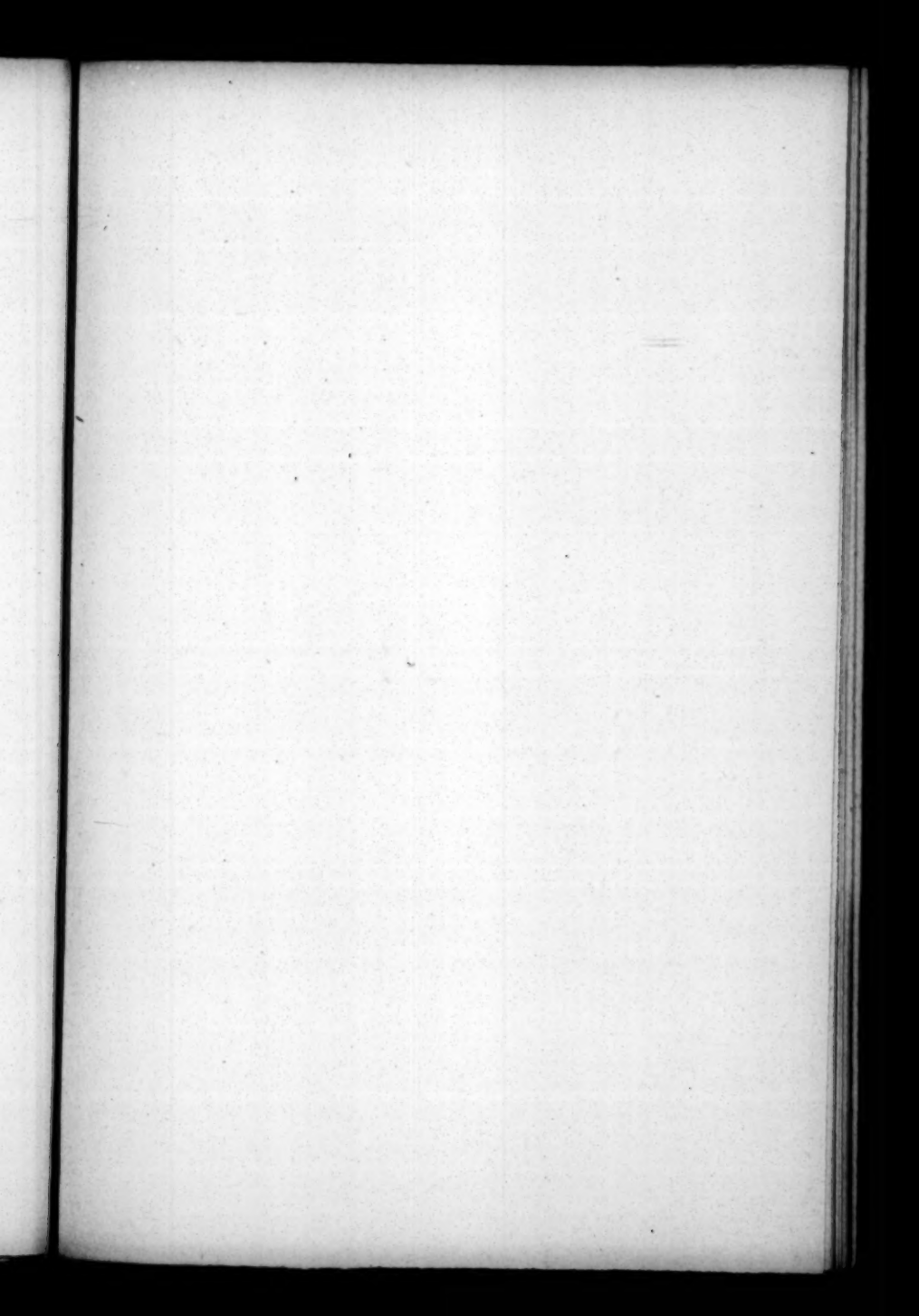


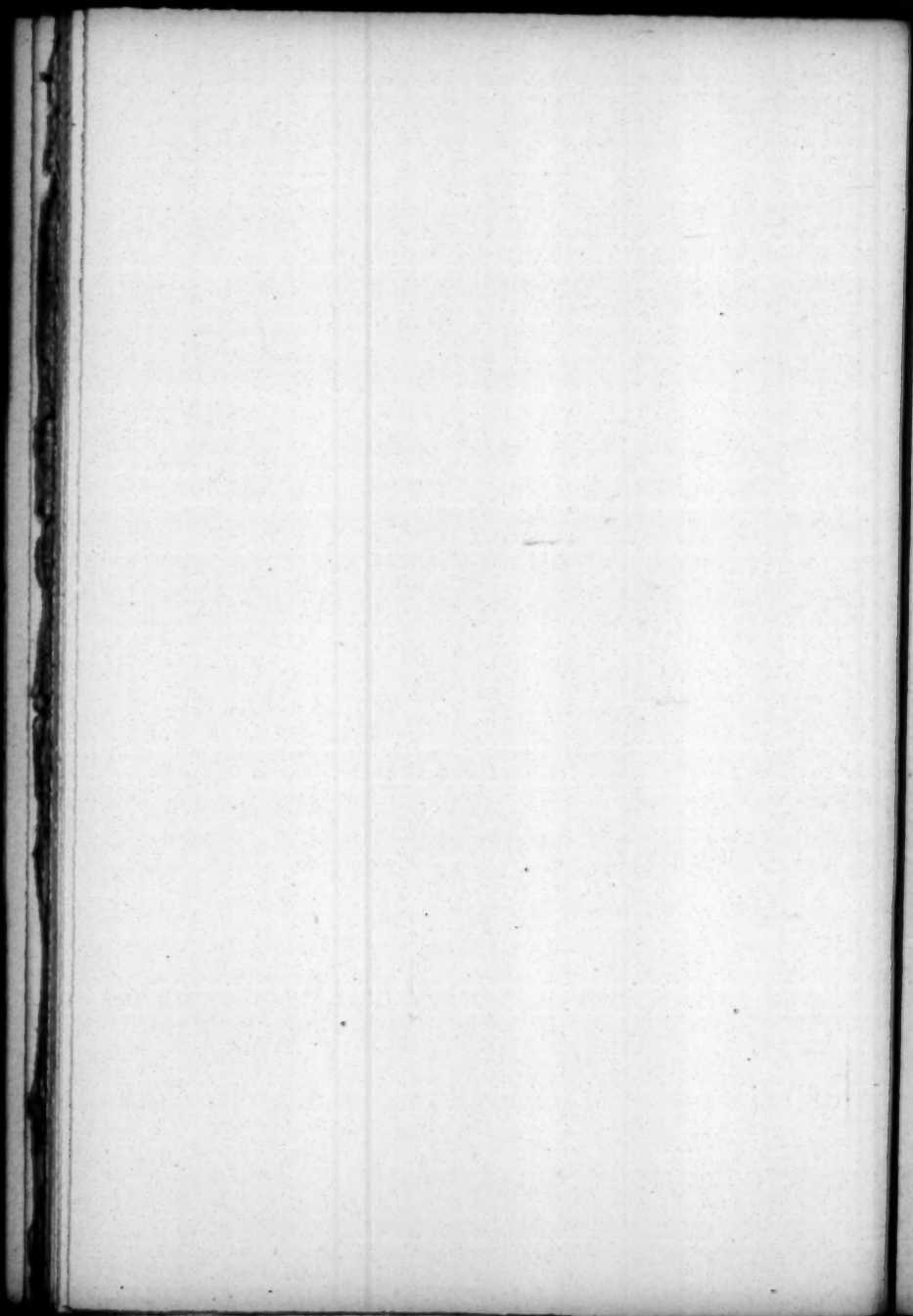


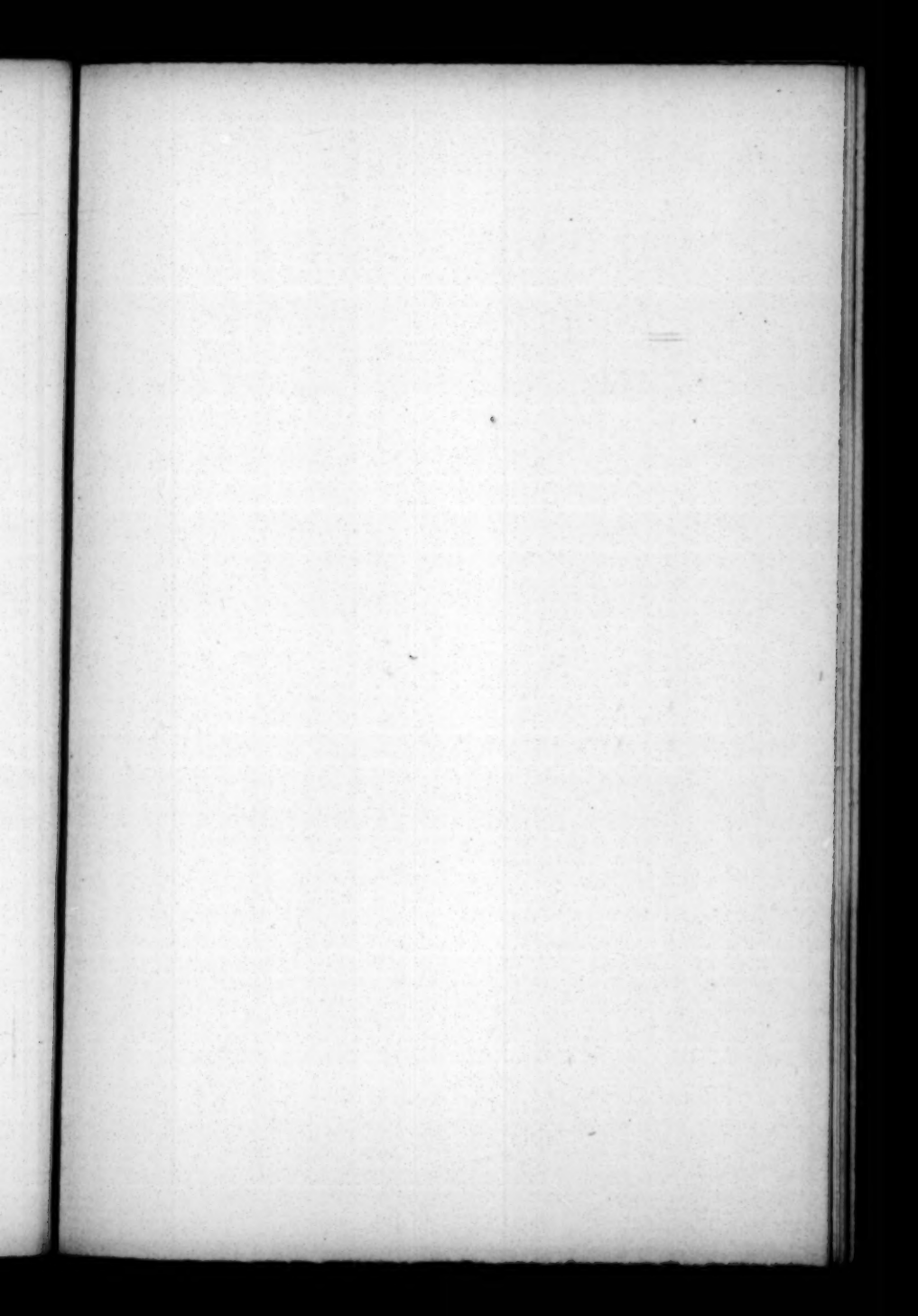


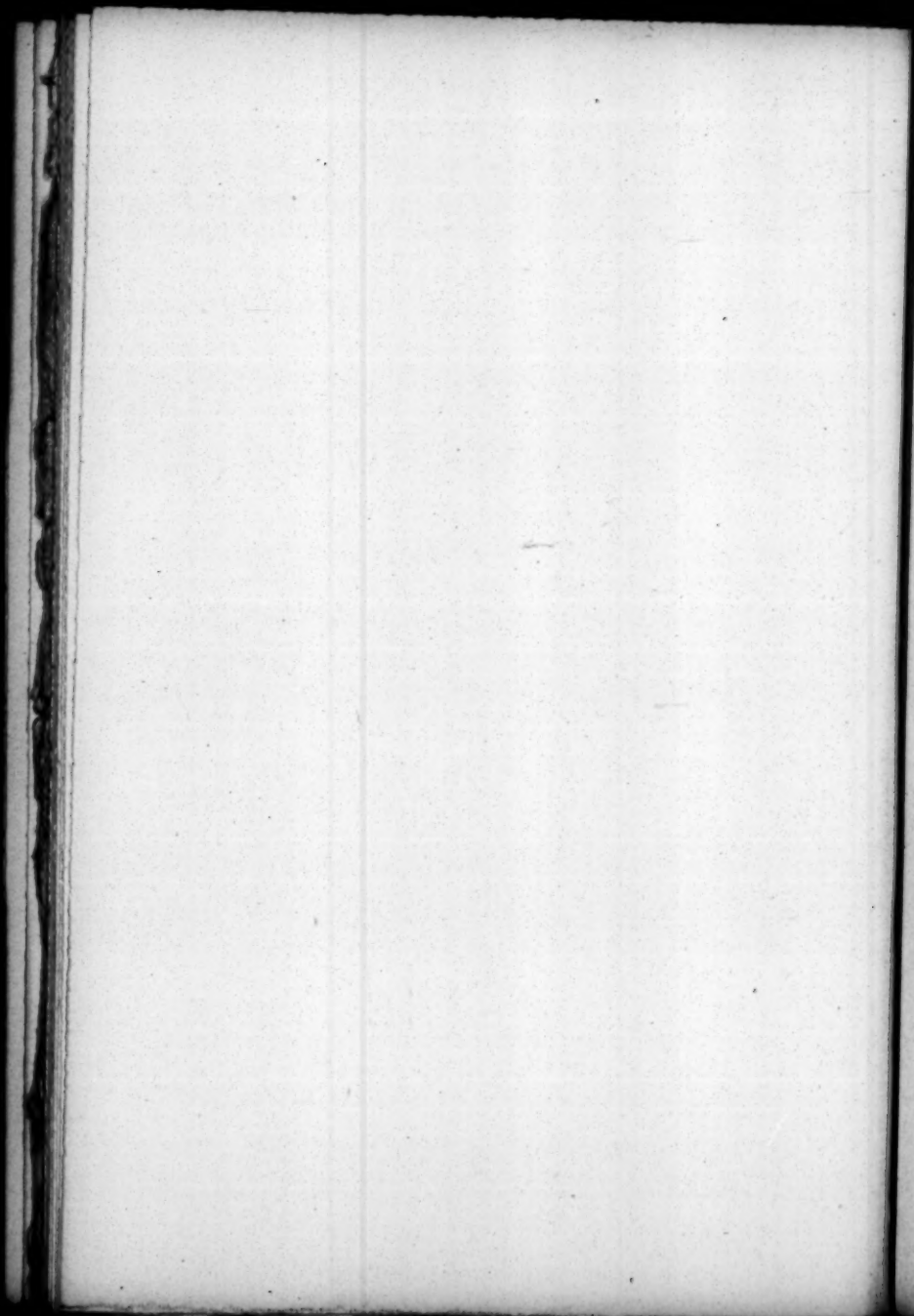


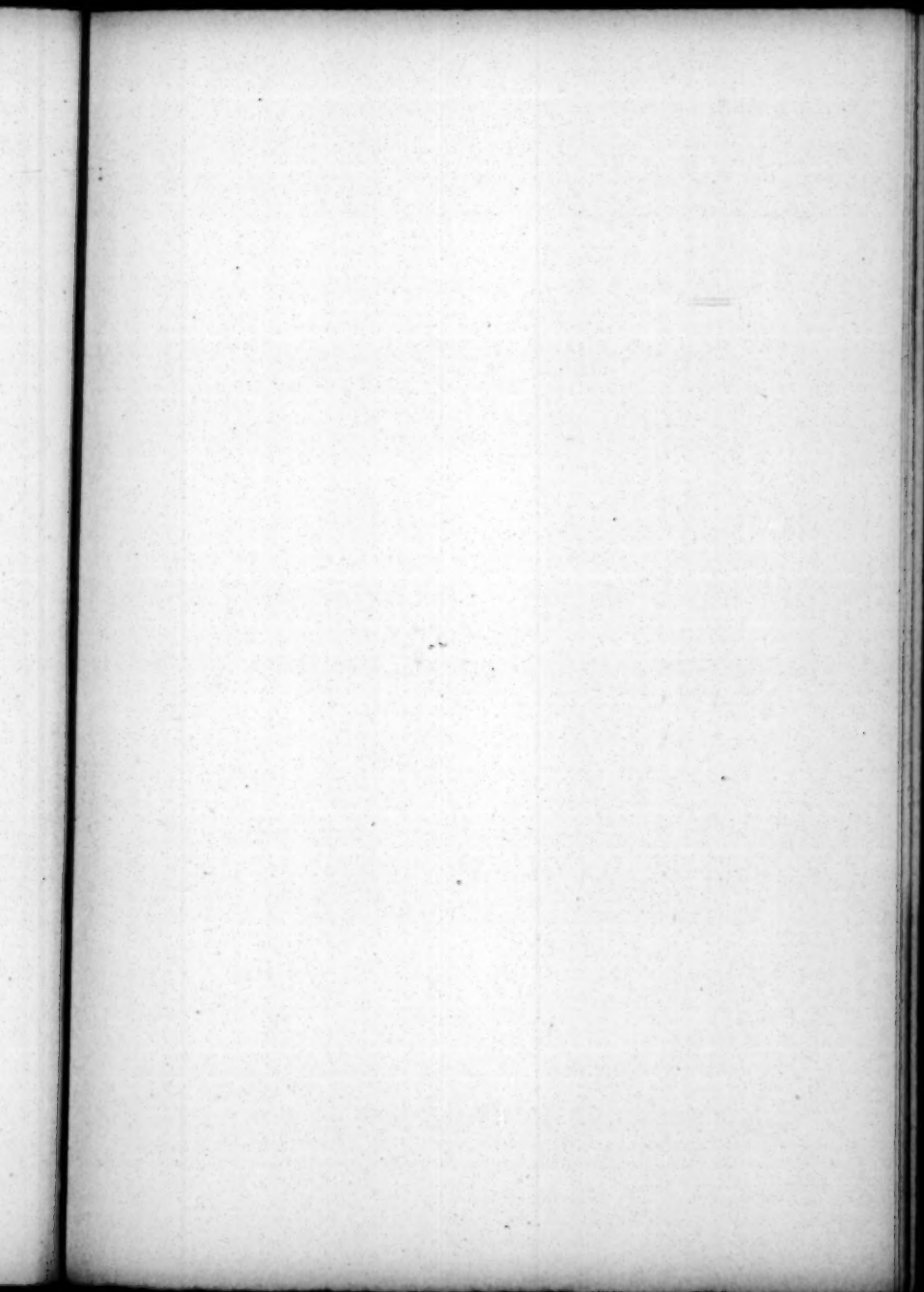


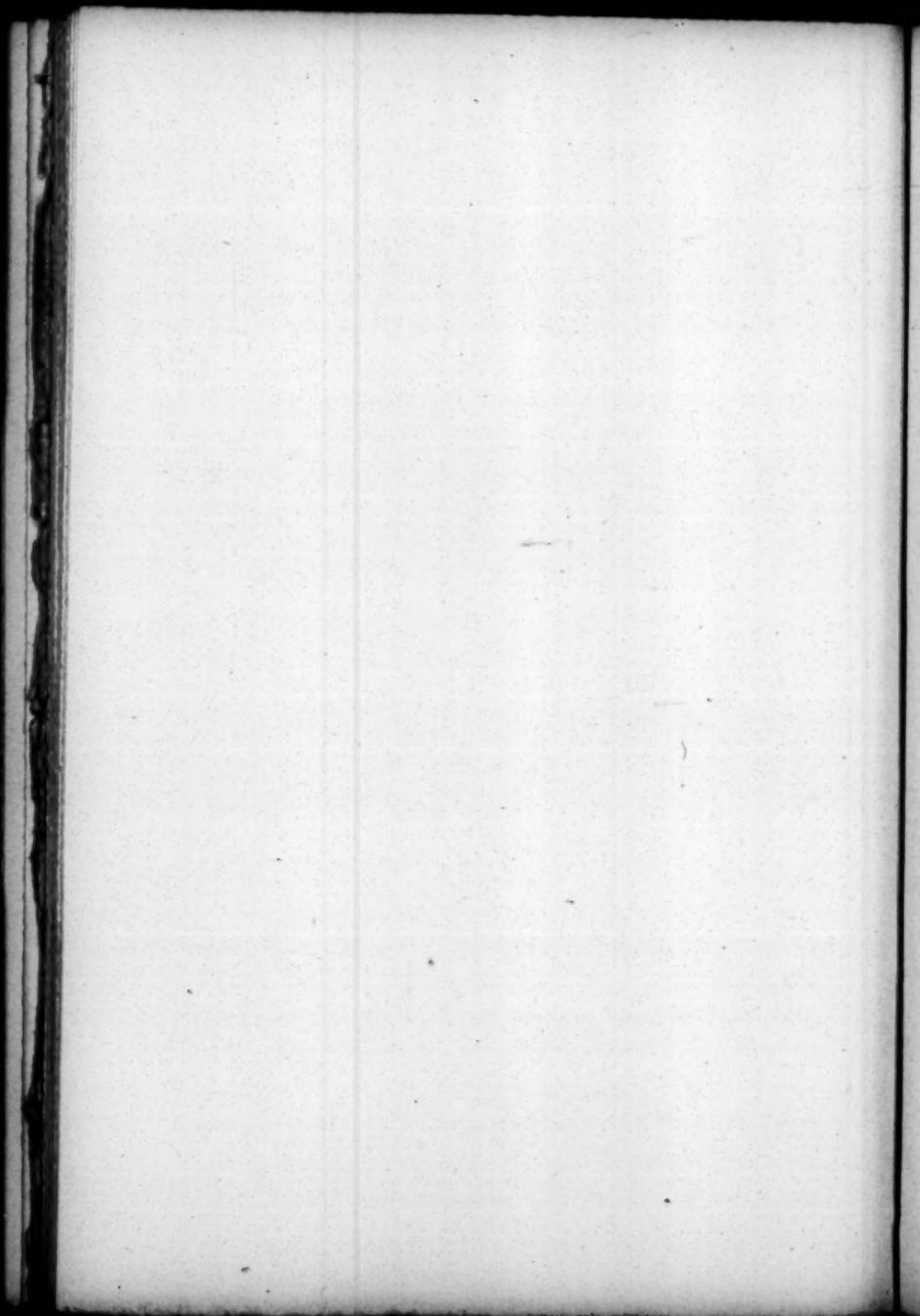


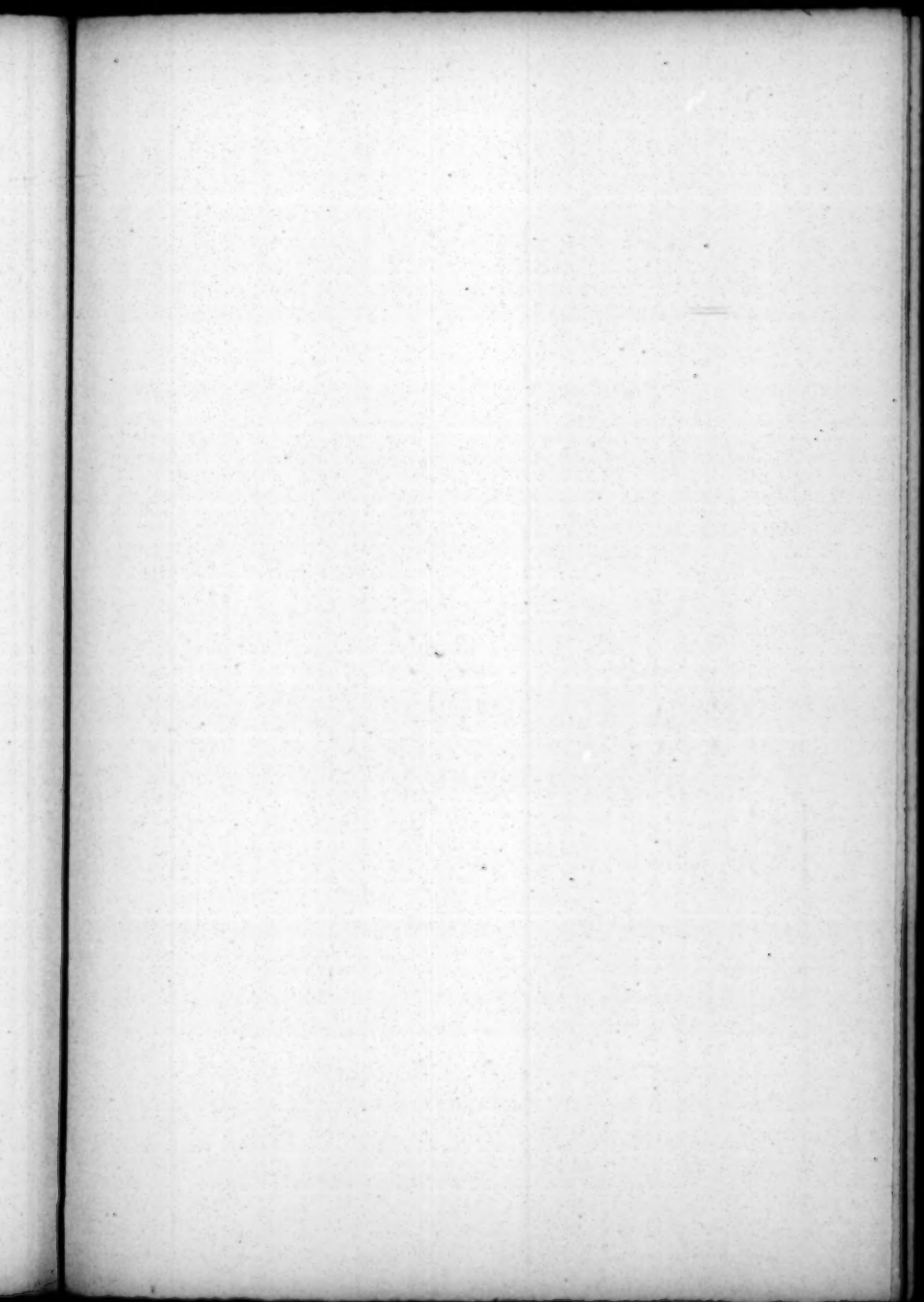


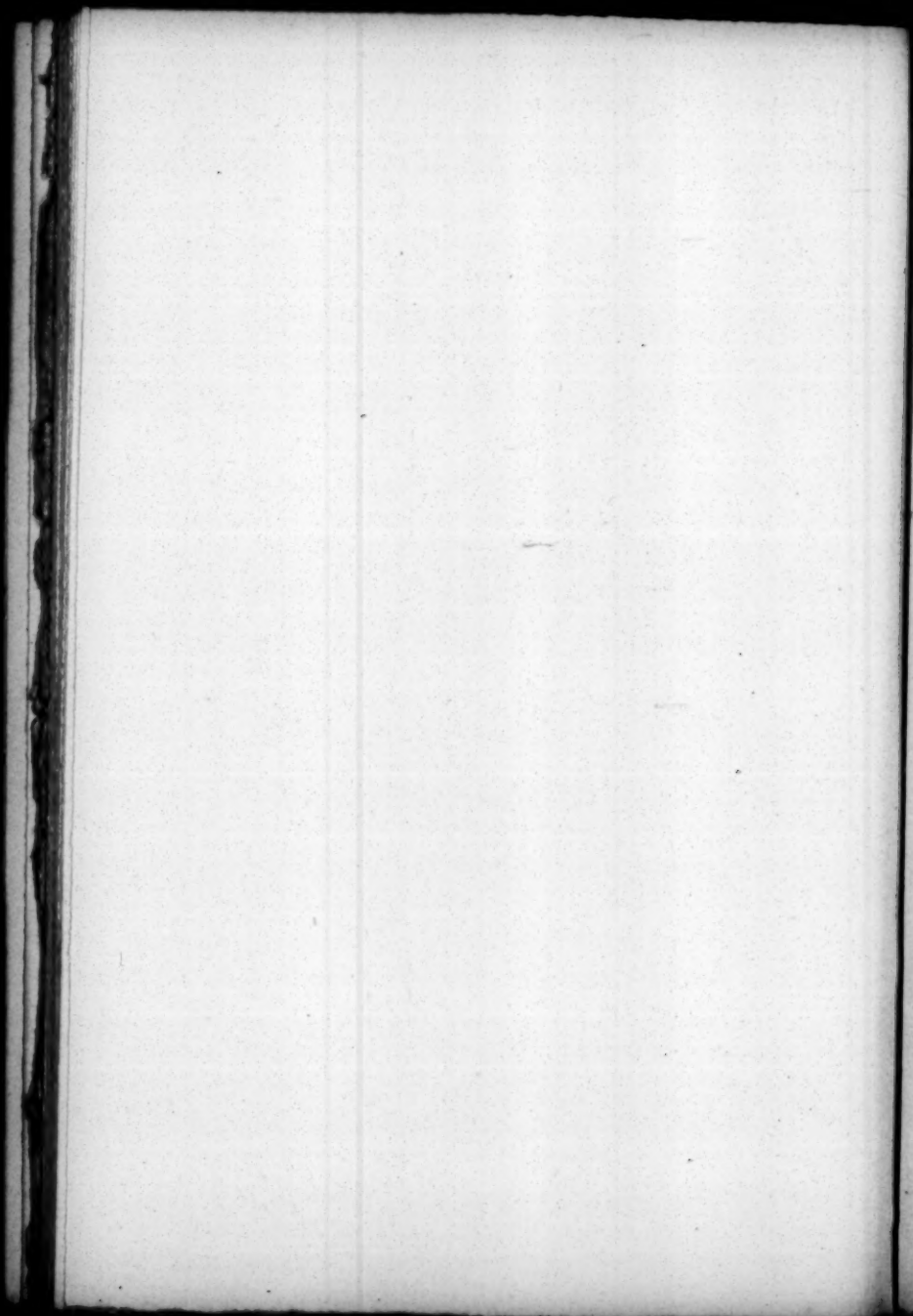


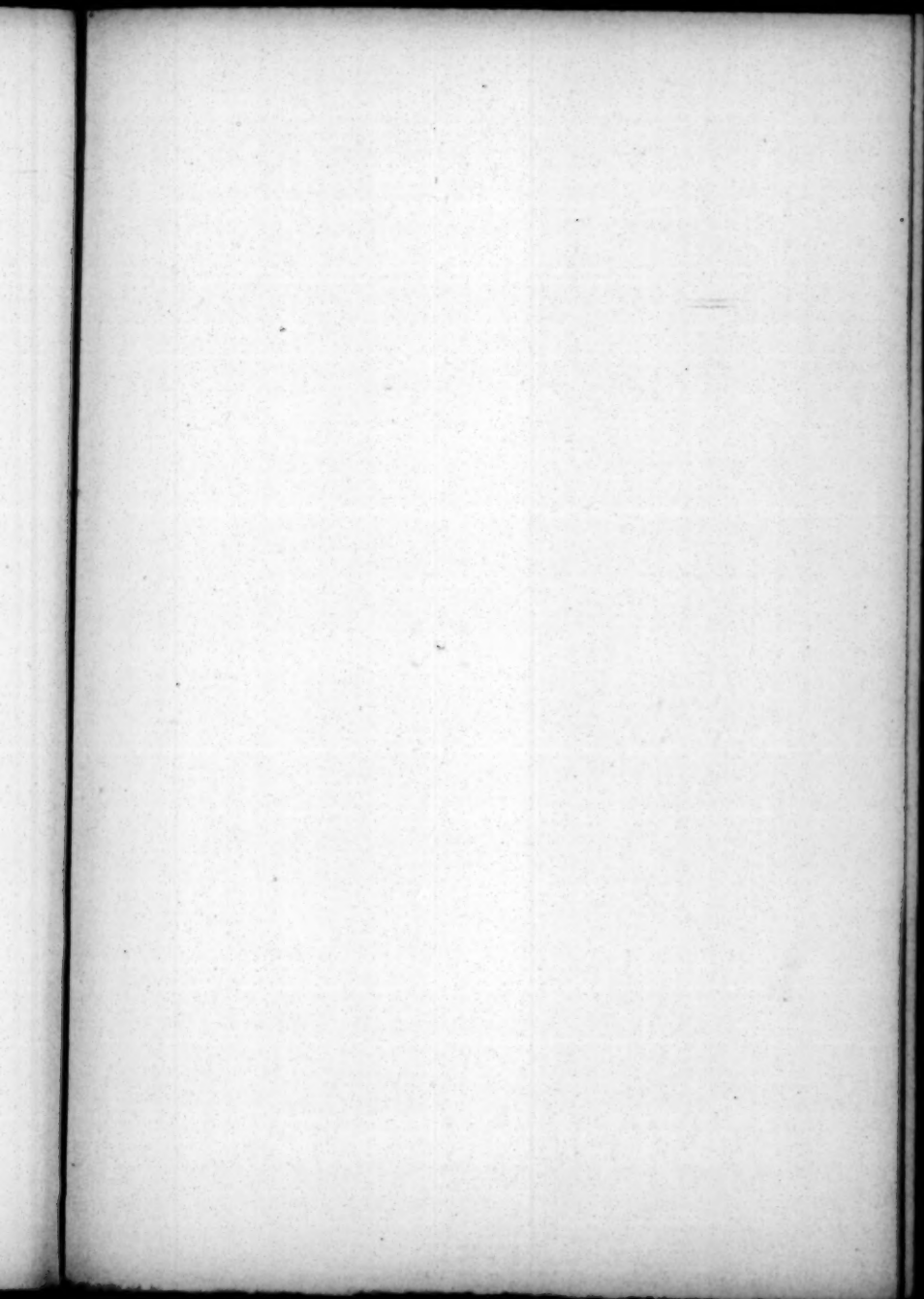


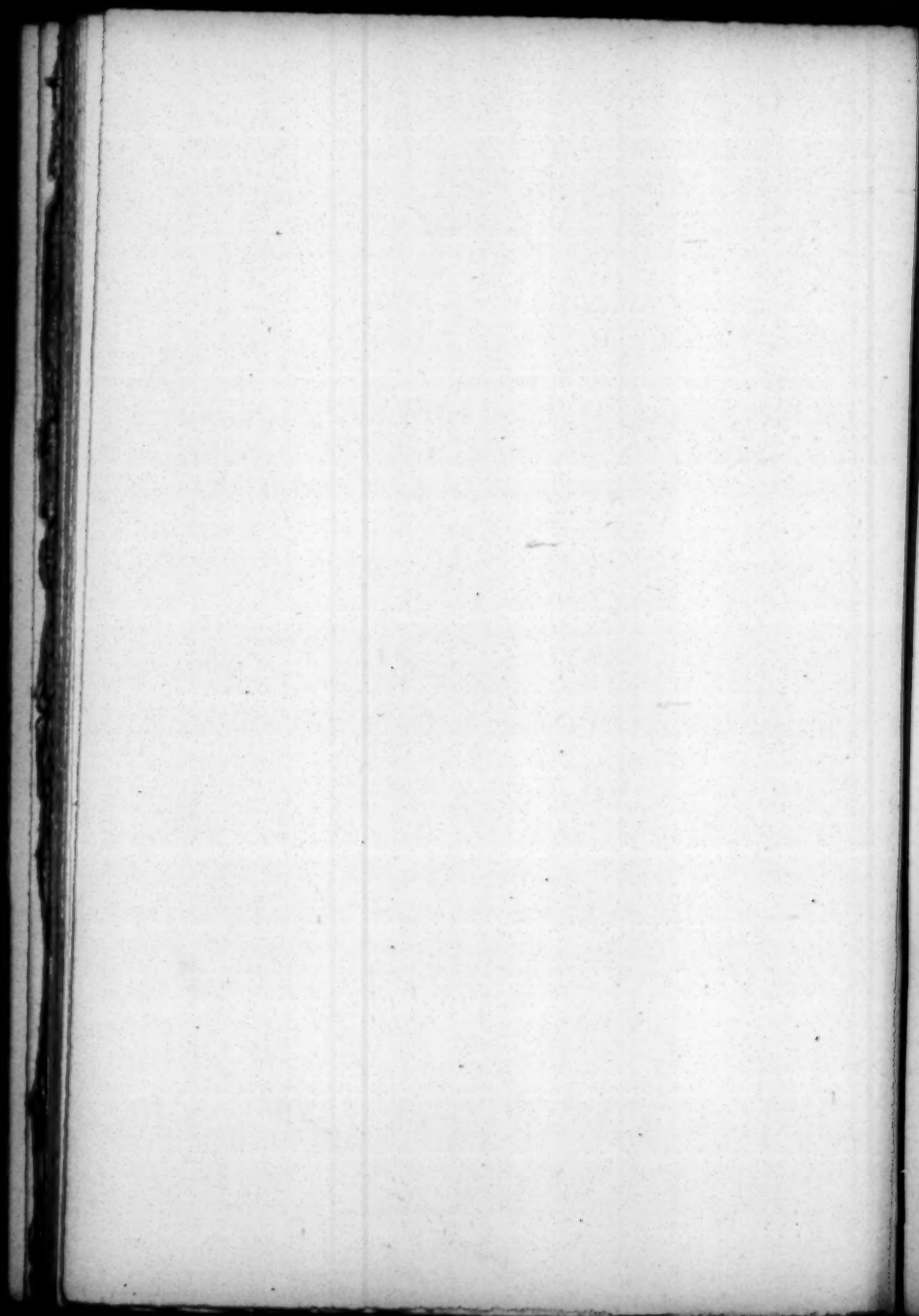


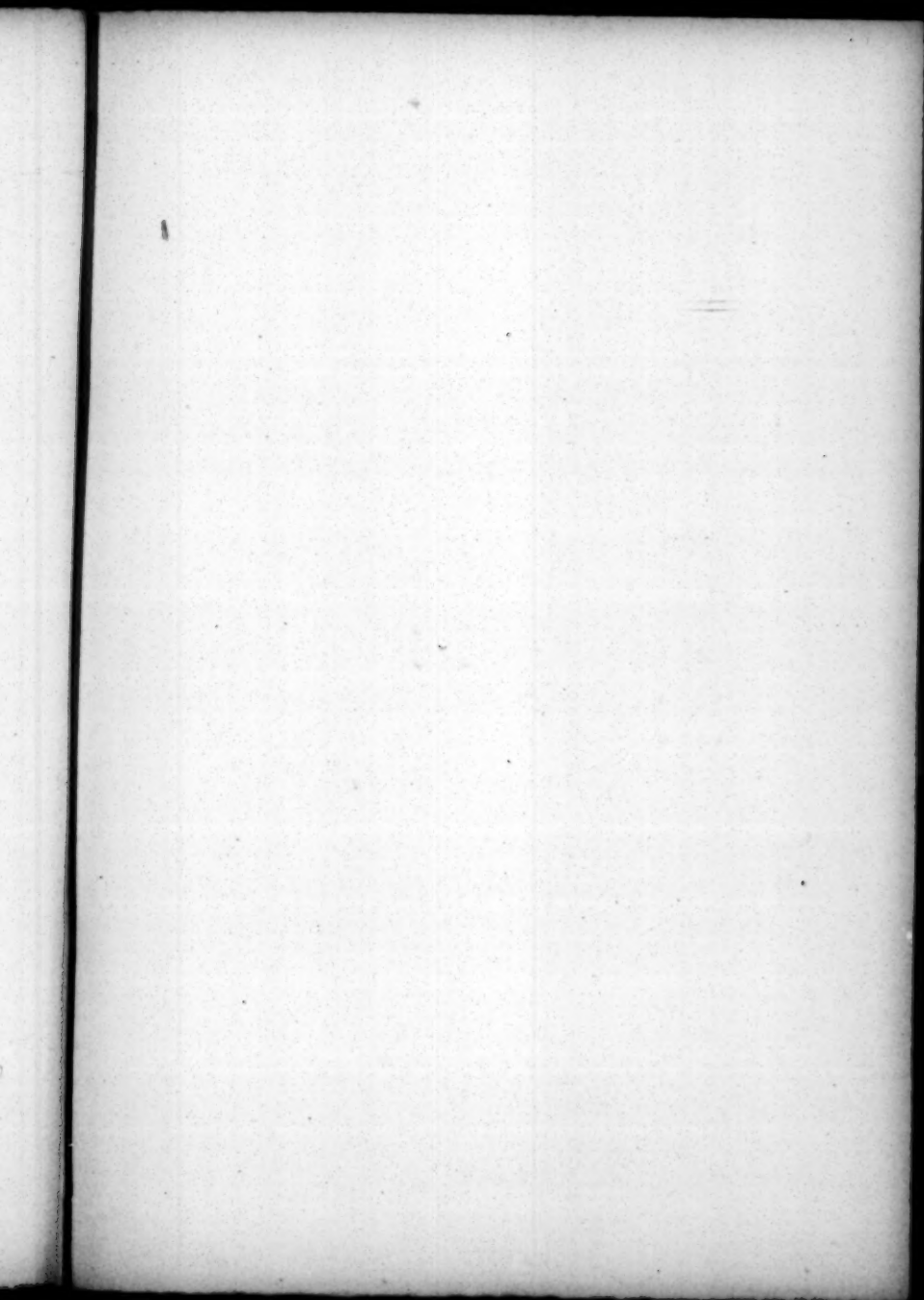


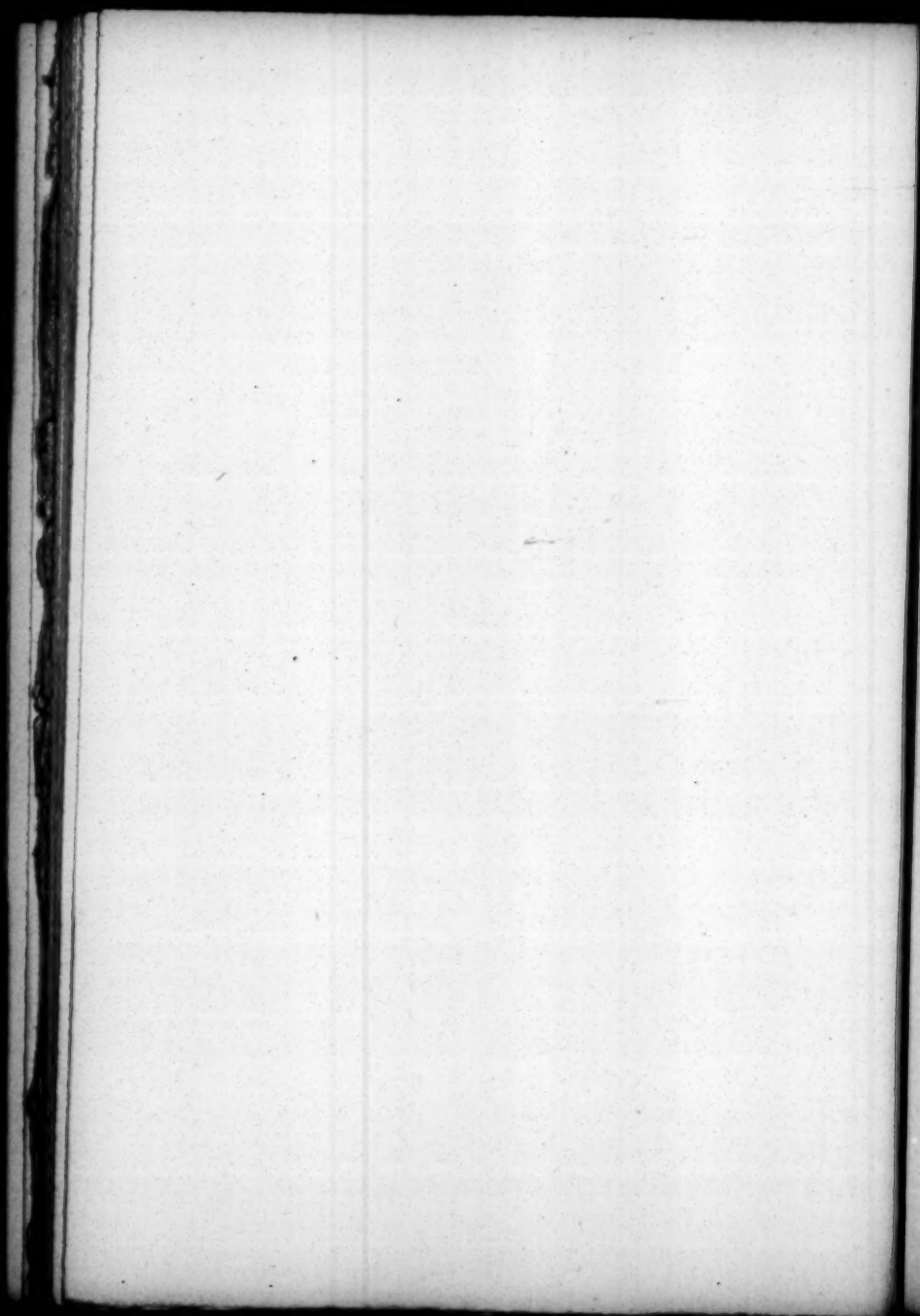


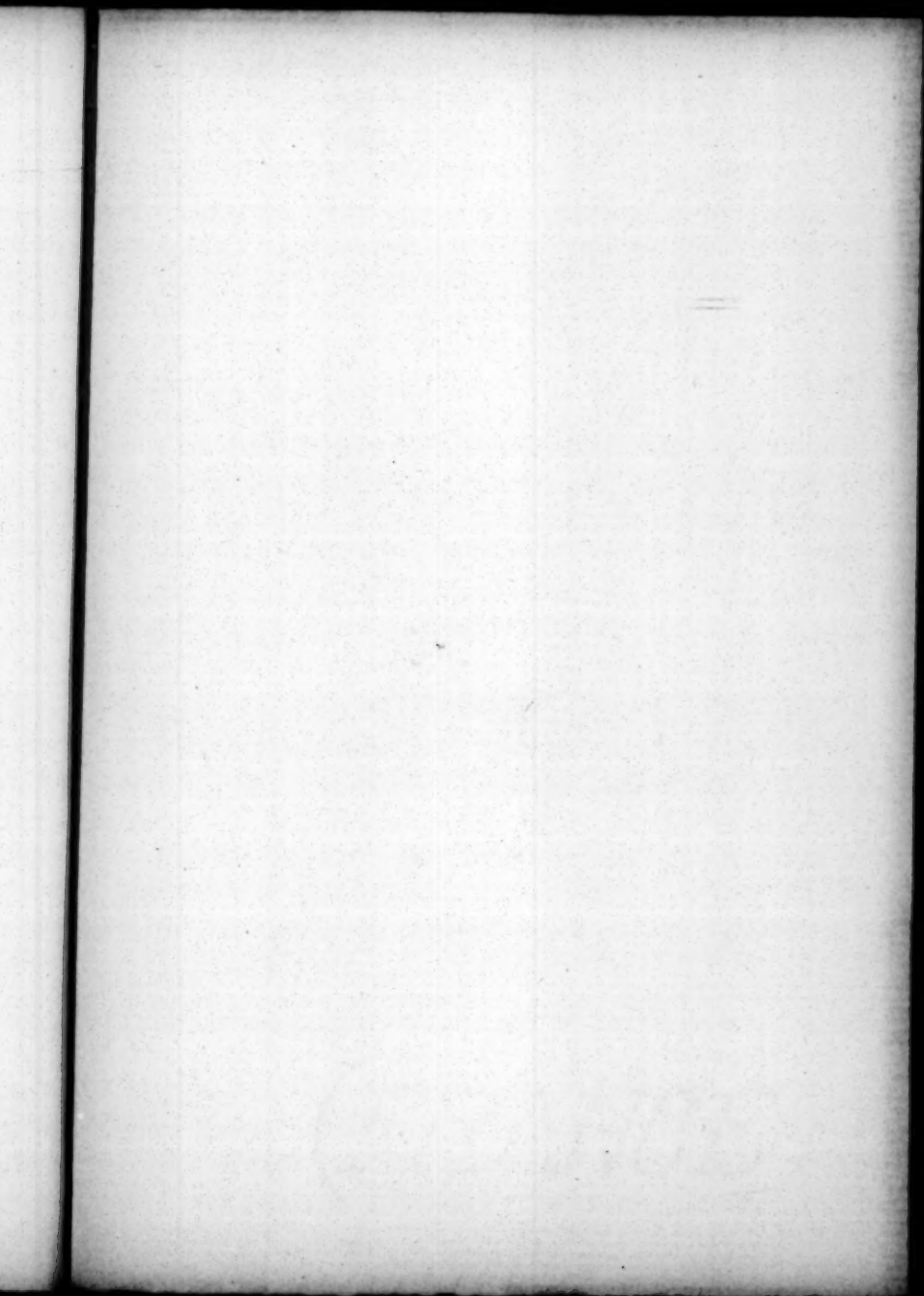


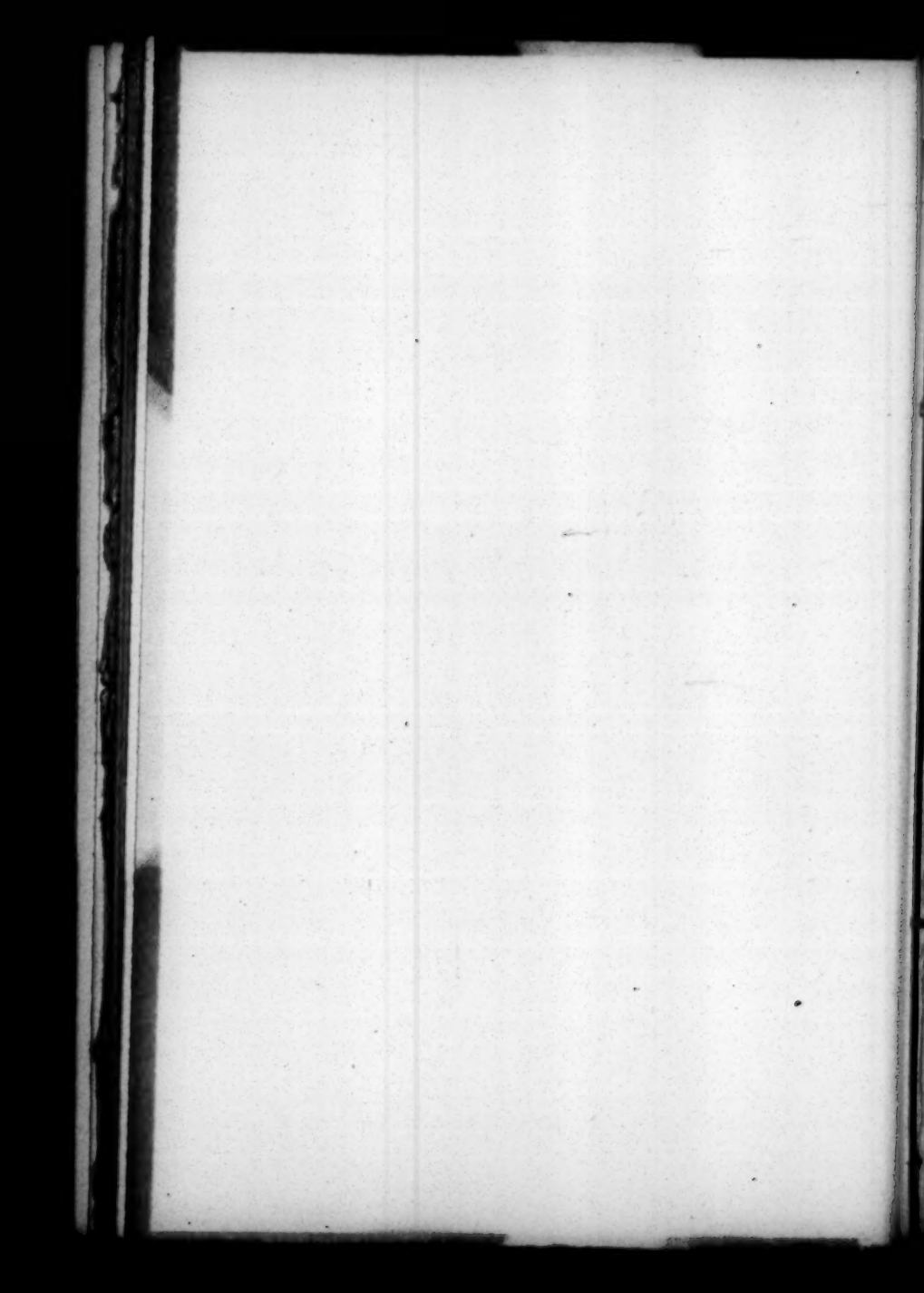












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